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BIRTHS.

ARMSTRONG—January 17, 1924, at "Coolgreany," Alliance av., Cliftonville, Belfast, the wife of F. P. Armstrong, M.P.S.I., of a son.

EXLEY—December 28, 1923, at St. Faith's, Ealing, London, to Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Exley, a daughter.

SHEIL-WALSHE—January 13, 1924, at 5 Mount Crescent, Dublin, the wife of Bernard Sheil-Walshe, Mocklerstown, Clonmel, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

CLERY and MARTIN—December 22, 1923, at the Parish Church, Milltown, by the Rev. M. Diskin, P.P., John T. Clery, Ballymangan House, Hollymount, Co. Mayo, to Josephine, second daughter of John and Mrs. Martin, Milltown, Co. Galway.

FRASER and SULLIVAN—January 16, 1924, at St. Mary's, Haddington rd., Dublin, by the Rev. Father Hooke, assisted by the Rev. Vincent McCarthy, President, Carlow College, Dr. George Fraser, Beresford House, Blenheim Crescent, Notting Hill, London, W., only son of the late Mr. G. Fraser, 1 Eldon ter., South Circular rd., and Mrs. Irwin, 39 Fitzwilliam place, to Bly, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Sullivan, 65 Northumberland rd., Dublin.

HEAD and MOORE—January 21, 1924, at St. Paul's Church, Glenageary, by the Rev. H. S. Radcliffe, Rector of Killucan (cousin of the bride), assisted by the Rev. E. Robinson, Rector of the Parish, Lieutenant John Studdert Head, Royal Navy, eldest surviving son of Col. Esterre Head, M.I.C.E., and Mrs. Head, of Derrymore, Scottsville, Natal, to Ruth Eleanor, eldest daughter of Dr. F. Hone Moore, Elmside, Steyning, Sussex.

PIKE and WRIGHT—January 2, 1924, at St. Margaret's Church, Winnipeg, by the Rev. Canon De Pauly, Frederick Richard Pike, son of Captain and Mrs. James Pike, Carbonear, Newfoundland, to Muriel Mary, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wright, 162 Arlington st., Winnipeg (formerly of Newry, Ireland). Write to-day.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on page 4.

BRUCE—December 24, 1923, of heart failure, Doctor William Frank Bruce, second son of the late Major William Tyrell Bruce (late 18th Royal Irish Regiment), of Leserragh, Borrisokane, Co. Tipperary.

CARVILL—At Villa Brin de Reve, Roquebrune, Maritime, France, of Brint Failure, Patrick George Hamilton Carvill, aged 85 years. R.I.P. Funeral took place, Mentone, on 16th.

CORRY—January 23, 1924, at the residence of her son-in-law (Dr. MacAuliffe, Thorneberry, Co. Clare), Marion, widow of the late James Corry, Drogheda. Funeral (private, by request) to-day (Friday) to Glasnevin.

COUNSEL—January 23, 1924, at 1 Queen's Ride, Barnes, London, S.W. 15, Loughlin B. Counsel, formerly Agent Bank of Ireland, Sligo. R.I.P. Australian papers please copy.

GILL—January 24, 1924, Mrs. Anna M. Gill, of 18 Warwick rd., Earls Court, London. Deeply mourned. R.I.P.

GOVERNEY—January 23, 1924, at a Private Nursing Home in Dublin, after acute pneumonia, Michael Governey, "Barrowville," Carlow. Office and Requiem Mass at the Cathedral, Carlow, to-day (Friday) at 11.30 a.m. Funeral immediately afterwards to St. Mary's Cemetery. No flowers, by request.

HAND—January 24, 1924, at 98 North Circular rd., Stephen, beloved husband of Katie Hand. R.I.P. Funeral private.

KERR—January 24, 1924, after a brief illness, at his residence, Oakwood, Avoca, Co. Wicklow, in his 80th year, W. Henry Kerr, M.A., Trinity College, Dublin, for 37 years Rector of Dalkey, Diocese of Dublin. Deeply mourned by his sorrowing widow and son. Funeral strictly private, by special request. No flowers.

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MacGROSSAN—January 23, 1924, at her residence, Belgrave Hall, Monkstown, Co. Dublin, Margaret Frances, only surviving child of the late John MacGrossan, of Omagh, Co. Tyrone, Solicitor. R.I.P. Funeral private.

McGOUGH—January 23, 1924, James P. McGough (late G.P.O.), 12 Turlough ter., Fairview, Dublin, aged 62. R.I.P. Funeral (private) this (Friday) morning, after 10 o'clock Mass, from Fairview Church.

MAUNSELL—January 22, 1924, at her residence, Erin lodge, Sandown, Isle of Wight, Martha Helen, youngest daughter of the late Henry Maunsell, Esq., M.D., Australian papers please copy.

MITCHELL—January 22, 1924, Constance Mary Mitchell, beloved wife of Edward Mitchell, Ballina, Maryborough. Funeral took place yesterday (Thursday) at 2 p.m.

ROONEY—January 23, 1924, at her residence, Main st., Castleblayney, after a brief illness, Kate, sister of late James Rooney, Merchant. R.I.P. Funeral to-morrow (Saturday), 11 o'clock, St. Mary's.

SHEIL—On Thursday, January 24, 1924, at her residence, Hill View, Rathcoole, after a protracted illness, borne with Christian resignation, Mary Sheil, relict of the late Edward Sheil, Esq., aged 66. Mother of Mount Carmel, pray for her. Requiescat in pace. Funeral at Saggart, Co. Dublin, after Requiem Mass there at 10 o'clock to-morrow (Saturday).

TURNEY—January 24, 1924, at Richmond Hospital, Dublin, Burton Trimnell Turney, Rector of Roundstone, Co. Galway. English papers please copy.

IMPORTANT.—As announcements for this column, if posted on Saturday, cannot reach this office in time for Monday's paper, they should be sent by telegram.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Mrs. Claude Hamilton and family, 10 Proby square, Blackrock, return sincere thanks to their numerous sympathetic friends for the telegrams, letters, and cards received by them in their recent sad bereavement, and trust they will kindly accept this grateful acknowledgment.

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FARRAR—In loving memory of Samuel Farrar, who died at his residence, 14 Rutledge ter., 25th January, 1921. Inserted by his loving wife and children.

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TIMBER Trade—Wanted, Yard Manager for large North of Ireland Sawmills and General Builders' Yard; must be able to take complete charge and have thorough knowledge of measuring, calculating, etc.; good prospects for capable man; state salary required, etc. (in confidence). Address "Z 4425, Manager," this office.

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WANTED, Clerk with experience of Wholesale Motor Business, with knowledge of shorthand, and typewriting. Reply, with copies of testimonials, stating age and salary expected, F 1899, this office. 21 E

WANTED, smart, intelligent Youth for light business; state age and where educated.—E 1672, this office.

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WANTED, reliable Man for Seed, Hardware, and Farming Implement Business in Enniskillen town; must be well recommended. Address, stating salary expected (outdoor), "Z 4428, Man," this office. 24 F

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NURSERY Governess (Protestant) Required for 2 children, ages 3 and 5 years. Reply, with copies, salary, Bregnell, Luttrellstown, Clonsilla. 23 A

TEMPORARY Intermediate Teacher (Protestant) Wanted; classics; Pass and Honours; resident. Address "Z 4302, Teacher," this office. 22 F

TEACHER Wanted for Kilfinane National School; residence, partially furnished; local and music necessary; good opportunity for King's Scholar. Full particulars from Rector, Kilfinane, Co. Limerick. 22 F

TWO Ladies (beginners) require Lessons in French from French Lady; state terms, etc.—F 248, this office. 24 F

WANTED, Protestant Nursery Governess, two children, 5½ and 4; country.—Molony, Malahide. 21 E

WANTED for 1st April, an Assistant (Protestant) for Summerhill National School (Girls) Cork; singing essential. Apply S. M. Forde, Esq., Hillside, Sunday's Well, Cork.

WANTED, Protestant Governess, for two children; Co. Kildare; state salary. Address "Z 4377, Governess," this office. 23 A

WANTED, early in February, Nursery Governess or Mother's Help, take entire charge of three children, help with infant; state age.—Mrs. F. J. Egan, The Hall, Tullamore. 23 F

WANTED immediately, Nursery Governess, Nurse, or Sewingmaid for fortnight or longer; three young children.—Talbot, Brendan's, Coolock, Co. Dublin.

WANTED, a Nursery Governess to take charge of four children, youngest three years; the three eldest going to school. Apply Mrs. D'Arcy, "Glendee," Tipperary. 24 A

WANTED, good R.C. Nursery Governess for Co. Sligo; four children, aged from 6 to 21 years. Address, stating salary, qualifications, etc., "Z 4407, Governess," this office.

WANTED, March 1st, Protestant Teacher for National School in town near Cork; local rid. Address "Z 4417, Teacher," this office. 24 B

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

A RESPECTABLE Farmer's Daughter would go as Companion Help or to mind old lady; can have best of P.P. references; salary no object; city or suburbs preferred. Address "Z 4395, Help," this office.

A YOUNG Lady Shorthand Typist (100 words), also A Bookkeeping, seeks post in city office or business place; highest references.—F 254, this office. B

ASSISTANT, Grocery, Provisions, 34 years' experience, high class trade, excellent references, reasonable terms. Address "Z 4430, Assistant," this office. 24 B

BOOKKEEPER, 20 years' experience, shipping, forwarding, and Customs business; accept position, any capacity; moderate salary.—F 110, this office. 23 E

BAR, Grocery, Provisions—Assistant, seven years' experience, seeks position; excellent address; excellent reference; moderate salary. Address "Z 4342, Assistant," this office. 23

CARPENTER will work for private places, cheap; Dublin or Glasthouse; neatness, accuracy guaranteed.—McLaughlin, Windy Arbour. 21 E

DRESSMAKER, experienced, wants work indies' house; costumes; quick worker.—F 87, this office. 23 A

EX-SOLDIER desires privilege of earning his bread; Manage, Assist every branch Gentleman's Outfitting Store, any position trust; highest reference.—F 151, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines. 23 A

FARMER'S Son desires position, any work; reference and cash security if required.—F 63, this office. 22 F

FURNITURE Salesman seeks engagement, good house; Free Staffs preferred; 6 years' experience carpets, linos, furniture, etc. Address "Z 4416, Salesman," this office. 24 F

GENTLEMAN, 3 years' experience Coal Business, desires position; good references; capable of taking charge. Address "Z 4386, Charge Hand," this office.

GENTLEMAN, 40 years of age, disengaged, seeks position as Secretary or Assistant to a Society or Company; fully experienced in all duties.—F 246, this office. 24 B

GENTLEWOMAN, healthy, amiable, offers daily services, 9 to 5; look after delicate person, sew, knit, mend, read, massage, assist housework if desired; non-resident; only gentlepeople.—F 302, this office. 24 B

GROCER'S Assistant seeks situation; 10 years' first class experience; highest references.—F 305, this office.

HOUSEKEEPER, professional cook, needlewoman, understands sick nursing; any position of trust; long reference.—F 163, this office.

IRISH Speaking Housekeeper Cook, long experience, disengaged; excellent references.—F 172, this office.

MRS. Morrogh Ryan wishes to recommend a young Parisian Girl as Companion for girl from 12 to 15 years; can teach French conversation, perfect accent; beautiful needlewoman and good games, etc. Reply Mrs. Morrogh Ryan, Dunboyne Castle, Dunboyne. 21 E

POLICE Pensioner (R.C., married) desires position as Caretaker, Timekeeper, or other responsible position; discharge very good.—F 236, this office. 24 B

REFINED young Lady seeks position as Companion or Lady's Help; splendid references.—E 11, Irish Times Branch Office, Cork. 23 A

SHORTHAND Typist and Bookkeeper—Young Lady, B.C.I., with over eleven years' experience Solicitor's Office, country town, desires change; highest reference Address "Z 4388, Typist," this office. 21 E

TWO Railway Clerks with over 10 years' service on principal Irish Railway, would resign in favour of positions with good prospects in Business Firm or otherwise; strictly temperate; references obtainable from railway company. Address "Z 4095, Clerks," this office.

USEFUL Help, assist lady; five afternoons free; experience in nursing; reliable and trustworthy; highest reference.—B. F., 487 North Circular road.

WAREHOUSEMAN (Improver wishes change of vacancy; good reference.—A. 185, Irish Times Branch Office, Dun Laoghaire. 22 F

WEXFORD Girl, aged 23, would like to get couple months' experience in nice class Tobacconist. Address "Z 4375, Girl," this office. 24

YOUNG Man anxious for employment; well recommended, age 39; would work in stores or any indoor work.—Z 1903, this office. 21 E

YOUNG Lady desires position as Shorthand Typist, fully qualified; good experience.—F 143, this office.

YOUNG Lady, good Shorthand Writer and Typist, wishes position; can interview and deal with public; has a good knowledge of the Paper Trade, extending over five years, and has had charge of office in absence of principal.—F 83, this office. 23 A

YOUNG Housekeeper to gentleman; college, community, or institution; or would go Waitress; excellent papers; Dublin or suburbs. Address "Z 4403, Housekeeper," this office.

MALE SERVANTS WANTED.

A MARRIED Couple Wanted for small family near Dublin; wife good cook, man silver, parlourwork; £60.—F 154, this office. 23 A

EXPERIENCED Couple required, Co. Dublin; culture of small walled garden; £65, with two rooms, coal, light, milk. Address "Z 4369, Couple," this office. 23 A

RABBIT Trappers—Wanted, good Men at once. Apply Lombard, Innisbeg, Crearn, Co. Cork. 22 F

WANTED, active, capable Man, to Milk; married, no children; Wife to look after poultry; highest references must be given. Reply, stating wages required, with copies of discharges, to F 127, this office. 24 A

WANTED, General Man, indoor, for South County Dublin; must be good milker; state wages. F 228, this office. 24 F

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS WANTED.

GARDENER (Foreman)—Wanted, an experienced Man for inside; well up in fruit growing, propagating, etc. Full particulars, with wages required, to Lee, Powerscourt Gardens, Enniskerry.

STRONG Youth Wanted (indoors), help Irish Gardener; fare advanced.—Rector, Comberforey, Taunton.

TWO Inside Foremen Gardeners required for good establishments. Apply, with copies, stating age and full particulars, to Joseph Orr, Son, Limited, Seedsmen, Belfast. 24 F

WANTED for Co. Kilkenny, Steward Herd, married, no family preferred; send copies papers, state age and wages. Address "Z 4291, Steward," this office. 21 E

WANTED at once, good Working Gardener; vines, etc.; send references, state wages required.—Mrs. Doyle, Brandon, New Ross. 23 F

WORKING Gardener Wanted, Carrickmines district; state age, experience, and wages (outdoor), enclose copies.—F 223, this office. 24 B

MALE SERVANTS DISENGAGED.

BUTLER, thoroughly experienced; well recommended; just disengaged. Apply Butler, 31 Mountjoy st., Dublin.

EXPERIENCED Ploughman, general; long discharge; small family; disengaged February.—Michael Fitzpatrick, Clonee, Co. Meath.

FARMER'S Son, married, wants situation, understands all farm work or would go plain gardener; wife do dairy and poultry if required, or take charge of dairy or outfarm. Address "Z 4419, Farmer," this office.

GROOM disengaged, understands the care of horses; best of references. Address "Z 4572, Groom," this office. 23 E

GROOM and Coachman, single, Protestant; thoroughly understands his business; highly recommended.—Rea's Office, Armagh.

HERD Wants situation, 21st February; milk, cash trade; Wife small dairy; 11 years present place; highly recommended.—J. Reilly, Barraghcore, Goresbridge, Kilkenny. 22 B

NOBLEMAN wishes to recommend a good all round Man; understands horses, cows, etc.; also has filled places as Gamekeeper, Caretaker, or any position of trust; not afraid of work; age 45; son (22) would assist if required. Address "Z 4402, Man," this office.

RABBIT Trapper seeks engagement. Address "Z 4365, Trapper," this office. 23 E

WANTED, position Trust; understands stallions, foaling mares, hunters, stock, break young horses. Gresham, Athboy. 12 21

YARDMAN seeks situation; milking, usual yard duties; state terms.—E 1944, this office. 22 F

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS DISENGAGED.

A GARDENER, disengaged, anxious to be taught motor; South side; outdoor. Address "Z 4412, Gardener," this office. 24 F

GOOD Plain Working Gardener, married, Protestant, seeks position; good experience; if needed milk cow or mind pony; first class reference. Address "Z 4276, Gardener," this office 21 E

GARDENER (I.O.), thoroughly experienced, requires three days' work per week; highest reference; state terms.—E 1981, this office 22 F

GARDENER disengaged, seeks daily work or permanent; highly recommended.—D 601, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 22 F

GENTLEMAN seeks any outdoor employment, experienced farm and garden; excellent references; single.—Address "Z 4315, Gardener," this office. 22 F

GARDENER, flowers, fruit, vegetables, etc.; highest reference; milk cow; wife laundry, etc.; son to train help. Address "Z 4358, Gardener," this office. 23 E

GARDENER General Man wants situation, mind pony, trap, milk, generally useful; state terms (indoor). Address "Z 4376, Gardener," this office 23 E

HEAD Working Gardener seeks situation; long and satisfactory discharges; Protestant; married, no encumbrances; please state terms.—F 271, this office. 24 F

LADY strongly recommends excellent Gardener, permanent or daily (local).—Palmer, The Cottage, Slighnanora, Sandycove. 23 A

MAJOR-GENERAL Sir S. O. Nugent strongly recommends his late Gardener (Working). Particulars on application, Farren-Connell, Mount Nugent, Co. Cavan. 22 F

STEWARD wants situation; understands stock, machinery, all farm, garden work; handy. Address "Z 4294, Steward," this office. 21 F

SCOTCH Land Steward open for engagement; married; highly recommended. Address "Z 4354, Steward," this office. 23 A

WORKING Steward and competent Herd, capable of taking charge of large farm; son to assist first class (weigh); highly recommended. Address "Z 4272, Steward," this office. 21 E

WORKING Gardener, singlehanded; understands fruit, flowers, vegetables, greenhouses; married, no family. Michael Keogh, Ballyfree Lodge, Glenealy, Co. Wicklow. 22 F

WANTED, situation as Gardener; 3 days weekly to spare; highly recommended. Apply Gardener, 28 Coldwell st., Sandycove. 23 A

DOMESTICS WANTED.

HELP Wanted; daily services of experienced Woman, housework, cooking, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., vicinity Mountpleasant square. State age, experience, wages to E 1987, this office. 22 F

WANTED, experienced, practical Working Housekeeper, with knowledge of cooking, for hotel in South of Ireland. Address, enclosing copies, salary, age, etc., "Z 4306, Housekeeper," this office. 22 F

WANTED immediately, a respectable, energetic Working Housekeeper (Protestant), for farmer's house; take full charge; one in family; must have first class references; treated as one of family. Apply William Jackson, Eglish Cottage, Birr. 22 F

WANTED, reliable young General, four in family; small washing; good home to highly recommended. Apply 121 South Circular road, Kilmainham, after 3 p.m. 23 F

WANTED, Working Housekeeper or General Servant for widower living alone, country, Co. Dublin; cook, mind dairy, fowl; state salary. Address "Z 4364, Housekeeper," this office. 23 A

WANTED, Lady or Clergyman to recommend refined Girl, 14 or 15 years, to help housework; family of two; small wages; good home; Protestant; country.—Hartley, Annaghmore, Co. Armagh. 24 B

WANTED, a good Daily Girl for housework.—No. 59, Irish Times Branch Office, Blackrock. 24 F

YOUNG Girl Wanted for baby; small family.—R O 1794, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines.

VACANCIES FOR SERVANTS.
There are many vacancies in the REGISTRY of the "IRISH TIMES" for all classes of Trained and Untrained Servants. Good wages offered. No fee charged. MATRON can recommend comfortable Homes where Servants can stay while waiting for situations. T

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COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS WANTED.

COOK General Wanted; well recommended. Apply, after six, 26 Upper Leeson street. 21 E

COOK General, young, Protestant, Required; share housework and cooking with other young cook general; family of three; Dublin suburbs.—E 1945, this office. 22 F

COOK General and House Parlourmaid Required for Kilkenny; two in family. Address, sending copies of references, stating age and wages expected, "Z 4336, Cook," this office. 22 F

COOK General for Maryborough; two in family; small washing; good outings; state wages. F 112, this office. 23 A

COOK Wanted, middle February; good cooking; kitchenmaid kept. Reply, wages, religion, and copies of references, Henry, Luttrellstown, Clonsilla. 23 A

COOK General Wanted, Co. Carlow; small family; 3 other servants kept; small dairy. Address "Z 4379, Cook," this office. 23 E

COOK Dairymaid Wanted for Monkstown; R.C., not under 30. Send copies of discharges, age and wages to F 224, this office. 24 B

EXPERIENCED Cook General Wanted, under 45. Send copies, age, wages, Evans, St. Helen's, Lucan. 24 F

FEB. 22nd—Wanted, good plain Cook General; four in family; help given; Protestant preferred.—Edwards, Ballydirt, Golden, Tipperary.

REQUIRED immediately, Cook General; must understand her business, early riser and well recommended; state wages, copy references, all particulars, Merrion district.—F 1986, this office. 22 F

WANTED, Cook General, February 1st; £30; early riser, clean, willing, experienced; Irish housemaid kept.—Mrs. Gregory Stapleton, The Island House, Holyhead.

WANTED, good Cook General (Pembroke); three maids kept; wages £30; good references (copies) required.—E 1976, this office. 22 F

WANTED immediately, experienced Cook General, or House Parlourmaid with knowledge of cooking; must be well recommended; good wages; small family. Apply with copies of references, to Mrs. Corbett, "Orby," Limerick.

WANTED, a well recommended Cook.—10 Herbert Park.

WANTED, good Cook and Housemaid; 3 maids kept, 3 in family; County Kildare; good wages; state references. Address "Z 4338, Cook," this office.

WANTED, good Cook General for Bray; £28; house parlourmaid kept.—910, Irish Times Branch Office, Bray. 23 A

WANTED at once, good, singlehanded Cook; scrubbing done; wages £36; state age, copies.—Mrs. O'Ferr

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THE offers appended are so unusually attractive that immediate buying—personally or through the post—is advisable. All six items, although heavily reduced during the Sale, are now still more drastically marked down for the final clearance. Call while there is yet time.

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Men's Hose, fancy turn-over tops, in Heather mixtures, very smart. Sale Price, 4/6. Final Clearance Price. Per pair **3/11**

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Men's Cashmere Socks, black and navy, also in Marl mixtures, Light Grey, Dark Grey, Light Brown and Dark Brown. Final Clearance Price. Per pair **2/6**

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APPEALS SUCCEED.

PREVIOUS CONVICTIONS MENTIONED IN ASSIZE CASE.

The Court of Criminal Appeal in London yesterday allowed the appeals of Harold Malcolm Graham and Thomas Anderson, and quashed their convictions at Leeds Assizes for uttering a forged document. The sentences imposed were seven years and three years' penal servitude, respectively. The Lord Chief Justice said that at the earliest moments of the trial mention was made of previous convictions against one of the appellants. That was an unfortunate error, and it was not possible for the Court to say that if those features had been absent the jury would have come to the same conclusion as they did. The Court had no alternative but to allow the appeals and quash the convictions.

CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The closing months of the current financial year are bringing anxiety to those responsible for the work of the Church Missionary Society. The progress of the work abroad is providing many openings for a further extension of activities. The General Committee has decided to sanction an expenditure of £500,000 for the year 1924-5. This amount includes adequate provision for meeting the opportunities created in mass movement areas in Africa and India, but does not provide for entrance to new fields, or to open new stations. Some idea of the gravity of the financial situation may be obtained from the fact that on December 31 the receipts were £27,000 behind those of the preceding year.

THE METHODIST CHURCH.

The deputation plan of the Hibernian Methodist Missionary Society for 1924 states that the following clergymen have been appointed to visit the various circuits:—The Rev. Walter J. Noble, the Rev. R. Newlon Flew, the Rev. A. Cecil Hall, the Rev. William Sandford, the Rev. F. E. Skinner, the Rev. J. R. Temple, the Rev. Joseph E. Underwood. These represent different stations in the mission field, and will be associated with the following:—The Rev. James Cathcart, the Rev. R. Lee Cole, the Rev. A. Duke, the Rev. J. W. P. Elliott, the Rev. J. England, the Rev. R. J. Good, the Rev. F. T. Parker, the Rev. R. R. Sayers, the Rev. J. A. Walton, and the Rev. R. M. L. Waugh. The meetings begin on February 4 and go on to March 20. During the period two hundred centres will be visited, and at these sermons will be preached or addresses delivered to promote foreign missions.

ORGAN AND VOCAL RECITAL.

There was a large attendance at the organ and vocal recital which was given in Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, last night in aid of the Organ Fund. Mr. T. H. Weaving, Cathedral organist, played a varied selection from such composers as Bach, Wolstenholme and Rheinberger, revealing the fine qualities of the instrument and treating his audience to a very fine performance. His pieces included: "Toccata and Fugue in C" (J. S. Bach); "Suite," "The Question," "The Answer" (W. Wolstenholme); "Concert Overture" (D'Evry); "Sonata in F Minor, Op. 7 (Rheinberger); "Allegro Non-Troppo," "Andante," and "Fuga."

The vocal items by Mr. Percy Whitehead were much admired. He sang "Floodes of Tears" (Old English), arranged by A. Somervell; "An old Sacred Lullaby" (D. Corner, 1649), arranged by Liddle; "Mighty Lord and King all Glorious," Christmas Oratorio (J. S. Bach); "The Kings." "Turn Thee to me," "By Waters of Babylon," from Biblical Songs, by A. Dvorak, and "O God, have mercy" (Mendelssohn).

At Inverso Pinasca, a village in Piedmont, in a dispute between Fascists and non-Fascists, one of the Fascists was shot dead, another was mortally wounded, and others were more or less injured.

Stomach trouble

is indicated by a variety of distressing symptoms such as pain after eating, headache, lethargy and sleeplessness, and if neglected it eventually leads to a dangerous condition of gastritis or dyspepsia. If the experience of doctors, hospitals and the general public the world over for years past counts for anything, the one sure remedy is Bisurated Magnesia. *This banishes the cause of your distress*—instantly, and without fail; it acts naturally and gives you health and vigour by the only sensible means—that of putting wrong conditions right, and harmlessly, speedily removing cause and symptoms together.

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THE RESTORATION OF ORDER.

BUSINESS MEN'S TRIBUTE TO THE GOVERNMENT.

SUICIDAL LABOUR DISPUTES.

Matters of importance to the prosperity of the Irish Free State came under review in the report of the Council of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce for the year 1923.

"In contrast with the grave conditions which prevailed in the Free State a year ago," it says, "a state of security for life and property has been re-established which calls for grateful recognition. The Government has succeeded in breaking down all organised resistance to its authority, and there is good ground for belief that there will be no further challenge of that nature.

"The restoration of order has been a costly process, and, as was inevitable, has added heavily to the burdens of the country; but it has opened avenues for recovery and fresh enterprise in industry and trade of which prompt and full advantage must be taken. There is so much work of all kinds awaiting and demanding attention that no time can be spared for bewailing past political misfortunes or difficulties which have been surmounted.

BUSINESS PROBLEMS.

"The problems which concern the business community more directly—including labour conditions, transport and crushing rates and taxes—must be solved before a sound basis of progress and prosperity can be laid. Strikes of an unusually serious and prolonged character occurred in Dublin during the year: notably those of dockers, seamen, carters, druggists and chemical workers. If the attitude and methods of the labour organisers in these disputes reflect the views of the workers themselves, the prospect of enduring peace is yet remote.

"No appreciable relief from excessive local rates appears to be in sight, especially in view of the impatient temper in which responsible representations and suggestions are received by the taxing authority. Meantime business interests are being ruinously affected. State credit and financial stability will be materially strengthened by the highly successful first issue of ten millions of National Loan in November last. It may be expected that the result will have the further effect of encouraging business enterprise throughout the country."

OTHER NEEDED REFORMS.

Among matters of interest discussed in the report are the following:—

Customs Barrier.—Complaints are still being made that in the case of dutiable goods requiring analysis to determine the rate of duty payable there is considerable delay. It is suggested that the Government should take steps to set up a well-equipped modern laboratory in Dublin.

Army Contracts.—The attention of the Council having been drawn to the fact that the Free State Government had placed an order in England for 20,000 mattresses, and that Irish firms had not been given an opportunity of submitting quotations, representations were made to the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, and an assurance was obtained that Irish firms would be given an opportunity of quoting for all goods required by Government Departments.

Double Taxation.—The Council is of opinion that it should be possible for the Free State Revenue authorities to effect a working arrangement with the British Revenue authorities that would simplify and expedite the obtaining of double taxation relief by all Free State residents holding British investments. Such an arrangement as the Council has in mind would not only expedite the recovery of relief by the taxpayer, but would also expedite the collection of tax by the Free State and minimise the expense to which Great Britain will be put in dealing with claims under the existing arrangements.

Representations have also been made to the Minister of Finance respecting double taxation of dividends on Colonial industrial investments, the income of which is paid through Great Britain, and is subjected to both British and Colonial tax as well as Free State tax. Under the existing arrangements the Free State taxpayer cannot obtain any relief in respect of the Colonial tax deducted from such income.

Postal Services.—Reforms have been made, but there is still room for considerable improvement in the postal, telegraph and telephone services. On the question of postal charges, the Council holds the view that they constitute a serious handicap on trade, and must be brought down to the scale in force in Great Britain and the Northern Parliament. Parcel rates are much too high, and a letter from the Shetland Islands through Dublin to Tralee, for example, cost less than a letter from one part of the City of Dublin to another.

Telegraphic Service.—Defective and unreliable.

RAILWAY REORGANISATION.

Following reports of railway unification, a deputation waited on President Cosgrave and his advisers. "Full information, which is not yet ripe for public reference, was readily accorded to them. It may be said also that the Government is still open to receive further representations from responsible quarters, and your Council, as soon as circumstances permit, and after due consideration, will present a considered series of proposals on the subject. In opposition to unification, as favoured by the Government, your Council inclines to the view that it would be almost, if not quite, as fatal to the efficiency of transport as nationalisation itself, and that no scheme which excludes healthy competition will give real protection in the future to railway users."

Early Closing of Railway Yards.—Goods yards are still being closed at 5 o'clock, though the railway companies were asked to alter the hours from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. to 8.30 a.m.-5.30 p.m. It is intended to press once more for the desired alteration.

Customs Examination at Kingstown.—It was suggested by the London, Midland, and Scottish Railway Company to the Revenue Commissioners that as the construction of the pier would not permit of accommodation that would ensure the comfort of passengers, their luggage should be examined at the railway termini in Dublin. The reply was that examination at Kingstown was economical, and that examination at Dublin was impracticable in view of the short interval between train arrivals and departures.

Bank Charges.—It has been decided, at the request of the Farmers' Union, to join that body in a deputation to the Irish Banks Standing Committee, to press for (a) the removal of the charge for keeping current accounts, (b) a revision of the banking hours in country towns on Saturdays, fair and market days, and to draw attention to the wide margin between the rate of interest allowed on deposits and that charged on advances made on the security of farms. The Irish Banks Standing Committee has notified that the deputation will be received at its next quarterly meeting, to be held in March, 1924.

The report will be submitted to the annual general meeting of the Chamber, to be held on Wednesday next, at 3 o'clock.

TIED TO A GATE.

BROTHERS' STORY OF AN ARMED RAID.

At Trim District Sessions Owen McNulty, R. Healy, J. Ivory, Patrick King, William Stanley, P. Farrelly, Owen Smith, and Thomas Smith, all from the Athboy-Dunderry district, were returned for trial, charged with assaulting Hugh and Patrick Timmons, Meadstown, Dunderry, and damaging furniture at their home. Bail was allowed.

Patrick Timmons deposed that about 3.15 a.m. on February 11, 1923, about thirty men called at his cottage, eight being armed with revolvers and one with a gun. The accused were of the party. The witness and his brother were taken out and tied to a gate, and the men then returned to the cottage, where they proceeded to smash up the furniture.

Farrelly, the witness continued, fired a shot over his head, and said that the men belonged to the "Black Hand." Farrelly ordered the witness not to work any more for certain men by whom he was usually employed. On the next morning the witness reported the occurrence to the military.

Hugh Timmons corroborated.

Several other young men from the same district were accused of taking part in the raid, but evidence of identification not being sufficient they were discharged.

YESTERDAY'S CASES IN THE COURTS.

THE GUARANTEED WEEK.

RAILWAYMEN'S CLAIM.

Chancery Division—Before the Master of the Rolls.

The hearing commenced of the trade union case of Croker and others v. Great Southern and Western Railway Company.

The plaintiffs in the action, Messrs. Andrew Croker, Edward Sheils and Terence Doyle, members of the Inchicore No. 1 Branch N.U.R., employed in the locomotive department of the company, seek—(1) A declaration that the provisions of Section 2 of Appendix A to the "Instruction No. 382" issued by the "Irish Railway Executive Committee" on the 12th July, 1919, from 5 Kildare street, Dublin—which, embodied the conditions of service at and prior to 16th October, 1922, with the defendant company—or the award dated 19th November, 1921, or the agreement dated 17th February, 1922, or the subsequent agreement, or any or all of them, in respect of a guaranteed week, were valid and subsisting and governed the conditions of service of the plaintiffs with the defendant company during the period 16th October, 1922, and 13th November, 1922, and that the plaintiffs are entitled to be paid at the rate of the "standard week's wages" for that period.

The defendants, in their defence, admitted that the plaintiffs were employed by them at and prior to 16th October, 1922, but denied that at the alleged or any other date material to the action the conditions of service of the plaintiffs, or any of them, were embodied in or otherwise regulated by the "Instruction No. 382" or by the award dated 19th November, 1921, mentioned in the statement of claim.

In June, 1922, owing to the disturbed condition of the country, the ordinary working of the defendants' railway became impracticable, and on 16th July, 1922, at a meeting of the representatives of the interested parties, it was agreed between the executives, as representing the plaintiffs and defendants, that on all sections of the railway, save Waterford to Tralee and branches and on the Cork, Youghal and Queenstown branches the guaranteed week should be suspended till the defendants were able to resume the ordinary working of their railway; and, further, that the defendants would guarantee a minimum of three days' work per week to each man for a period of two weeks commencing on 17th July, 1922, and would meet the men within that period to arrange for future working.

The defendants being unable to resume the ordinary working of their railway during any of the period July 17th to December 31st, 1922, the guaranteed week remained suspended during that period in accordance with the agreement.

During each week subsequent to 17th July, 1922, of the period 16th October to 18th November, 1922, the plaintiffs and all other locomotive men who were available for duty were employed on the days in each week as arranged, and were paid all wages earned by them in respect of the work done. Such wages were accepted by the plaintiffs without objection, and no wages were due or owing by the defendants, as alleged; and the defendants denied that the plaintiffs, or any locomotive man employed by them, were, or was, suspended or deprived of employment illegally or at all.

Mr. Wood, K.C., Mr. Overend, K.C., Mr. W. J. Gleeson and Mr. T. Sherry (instructed by Mr. Joseph Gleeson) appeared for the plaintiffs; and Mr. S. L. Brown, K.C., Mr. FitzGibbon, K.C., and Mr. Phelps (instructed by Mr. E. White) for the defendants.

Mr. Andrew Croker, one of the plaintiffs, was examined by Mr. Overend. He stated that he was employed in the locomotive department of the defendant company. During the period of the traffic strike disturbance on the railway he held himself available for work under the terms of the guaranteed week, and he considered he was entitled to be paid. During that period he worked three days in the first week, and one day in each of the following weeks. He got nine days' pay, amounting to £6 15s.

Mr. Overend—It has been suggested here that you gave up your guaranteed week and accepted what you got in full payment. Is that so? No, it is not.

Cross-examined by Mr. FitzGibbon—During each of those weeks did not you present yourself for payment of your wages, and take the wages you got for the actual work you had done? I went there to be paid, and took what I was given.

The further hearing of the case was accordingly adjourned till this morning.

DUNDALK PUBLIC-HOUSE.

FINAL JUDGMENT ORDER.

Before the Master of the Rolls, in the case of Macardle, Moore, and Co. v. Brennan, Mr. Marnan (instructed by Messrs. Arthur Cox and Co.) applied on behalf of the plaintiffs for final judgment in the action in default of appearance and defence. The action was brought to recover possession of the licensed premises, 34 Park street, Dundalk, Co. Louth, for an injunction, restraining the defendant, Mary Brennan, from trespassing upon, obstructing, or interfering with the plaintiffs in the use of the premises, for an order for possession of the premises.

There was no appearance on behalf of the defendant.

The Master of the Rolls granted the application, giving final judgment as sought, and also an injunction and an inquiry as to mesne profits, with costs.

CLAIM TO AN ESTATE.

A SETTLEMENT.

Before Mr. Justice Pim, sitting without a jury, the case of Robert Ronan, of 3 John Dillon street, Dublin, against Elizabeth Flynn, of Kilmore, Co. Wexford, came on for hearing. The plaintiff claimed to be the lawful brother, and so next-of-kin, of Catherine, otherwise Kate Ronan, late of 4 Cabra road, Dublin, who died on the 13th July, 1923, intestate, and to have as such grant of administration of the personal estate of the deceased.

The defendant claimed to be first cousin once removed of the deceased, and one of the next-of-kin of deceased. The defendant had entered a caveat, and plaintiff sought to have that caveat set aside and a declaration made in his favour.

Serjeant Hanna and Mr. James Murnaghan (instructed by Messrs. D. and T. Fitzgerald) appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Lardner, K.C., and Mr. J. J. Walsh (instructed by Messrs. M. J. O'Connor and Co.) for the defendant.

When the case was called, Serjeant Hanna stated that the parties had arrived at a settlement. The question in the case was whether the plaintiff was entitled, as brother of the deceased, to grant of administration. There was some difficulty about getting the necessary evidence of his kinship, but that had now been overcome by the settlement which had been arrived at, by which the defendant agreed that grant should issue to the plaintiff in the terms of his statement of claim, he undertaking to pay to the defendant, on behalf of herself and the other next-of-kin, the sum of £435 to cover everything.

Mr. Justice Pim made an order in the terms of the consent to settlement announced by counsel.

BREACH OF PROMISE ACTION.

THE SERVICE OF A WRIT.

King's Bench Division—Before Mr. Justice Samuels.

Mr. Nolan Whelan (instructed by Messrs. Reddin and Reddin) applied in the case of Nolan v. Satchwell for liberty to substitute service of a writ on the defendant's father, Hubert Satchwell, of Mount Mary, Creggs, Co. Galway. The action was for breach of promise of marriage, and the intended plaintiff was Eva Nolan, of 134 Goldenball road, Carrickmines, Co. Dublin, spinster. The intended defendant was Robert H. Satchwell, a medical practitioner, who was in London, and out of the jurisdiction. Counsel moved on the affidavit of the plaintiff, who stated that the defendant at no time had any permanent residence outside the jurisdiction of the Court. When possible the defendant had paid frequent visits to his father's residence at Mount Mary, Creggs, in the Co. Galway, and during last year he had stayed there during part of the months of April, June, and August. She believed from the facts that he seduced her under the promise of marriage, and that he and his family are well-known in the Co. Galway, that the defendant was remaining out of the jurisdiction in order to avoid this action, being proceeded with within the jurisdiction of this Court.

Mr. Justice Samuels asked where it was alleged this breach of promise took place.

Mr. Nolan Whelan said that it was not set out in the affidavit.

Mr. Justice Samuels said that on the present affidavit he did not think that he could grant the application, but he would give liberty to renew it.

SCARTAGLIN MURDER CHARGE.

CHANGE OF VENUE.

Before Mr. Justice Samuels, Mr. John O'Byrne (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) applied for a change of venue in eight cases from the County Kerry to the County of the City of Dublin, as follows:—Jeremiah Gaffney, charged with murder; Denis Leen, do.; Sergeant Michael O'Shea, do.; Volunteer Michael O'Shea, do., and Volunteer Daniel Brosnan, do.; James McCluskar, aiding and abetting in the commission of murder; Robert McNeill do., and Hannah Flynn, murder.

Mr. Justice Samuels asked if there were separate charges.

Mr. O'Byrne said that Gaffney's case, Leen's case, and the O'Sheas were all in connection with the same murder, and there were separate depositions. He also applied for a change of venue in three cases of unlawful wounding from County Limerick—John Sheehan, shooting with intent to murder Sergeant Francis McCague; and Denis Wren and William Cripps, charged with aiding and abetting Sheehan. He also applied for a change of venue in the case of Joseph Cosgrave, Co. Westmeath, charged with unlawfully wounding with intent to murder one John Sweeney.

Mr. Justice Samuels granted the various applications.

THE QUEEN'S THEATRE.

DEBENTURE HOLDERS' ACTION.

Before the Master of the Rolls, in the case of McCall and others v. Queen's Theatre (Dublin),

Mr. Dickie, K.C., who, with Mr. Sainsbury (instructed by Mr. W. J. M. Coulter), appeared for the plaintiffs, applied for judgment on admissions.

The action, which was a debenture action, was brought by Mr. John Olaff McCall and others. According to the statement of claim, the defendant company was incorporated in July, 1909, under the Companies Consolidation Act, 1908. The memorandum of association of the company gave power to borrow money secured by mortgage debentures charged upon all or any of the property and rights of the company. In January, 1910, the company borrowed and raised for the purposes of the company a sum of £8,000 by the issue of a series of mortgage debentures for that amount, which were duly registered. The plaintiffs wanted to have the two mortgages well charged on the property of the company, and an inquiry as to other incumbrances.

Mr. Jellett, K.C., who, with Mr. H. Hamilton, appeared for Mr. D. O'M. Leahy, another mortgagee who had also taken proceedings, stated that he had served notice of motion, which would come on for hearing on Monday next, and suggested that his lordship should allow this case to stand till then.

The Master of the Rolls adjourned both cases, stating that they could be listed for a future day, and consolidated and heard together.

LEGAL PRACTITIONERS' DIFFICULTIES.

MR. JUSTICE DODD AND THE BAR.

Mr. Justice Dodd yesterday, referring to his remarks of the previous day as to the delay caused to clients in city appeal cases by the absence of the legal gentlemen engaged, said that, while his remarks were correctly reported, he was not making any observations to counsel. No blame could be attached to any barrister in the present state of practice there, where they had to sit, day in and day out, in out-of-the-way places for the purpose of getting the work done by a tribunal of Judges that was short-handed. The Bar had acted admirably, and, if he had been informed at the time that a counsel mentioned had been called away, the matter would never have arisen. He could not expect senior counsel and junior counsel to wait in court all day, as they waited yesterday, simply because no one representing the solicitor was present.

NON-JURY CASES.

THE ATTENDANCE OF SOLICITORS.

During the hearing of defended civil bill cases at Green street Courthouse yesterday, the Recorder of Dublin alluded to the references made by Mr. Justice Dodd on the previous day to the absence of solicitors when non-jury cases were called in the High Court.

"I see that the *Irish Times* devotes a column to it this morning," was the Recorder's comment.

Mr. Craig, solicitor, said that the arrangement made some years ago was suddenly stopped, and then the solicitors were blamed. Solicitors had to collect witnesses from all over the country, and were jostled about from one Court to another. It was not fair to blame solicitors. They had complained some time ago about those city and county appeals being put down for hearing after jury cases, which might take two days or ten minutes.

The Recorder—I have nothing to do with that.

Mr. Craig—I was only trying to excuse those who were not here to-day.

NINE PERSONS IN ONE ROOM.

DECREE FOR POSSESSION.

When the appeal of Richard King against a decree for ejectment for overholding granted by the Recorder of Dublin to Elizabeth Anne Callan in respect of the premises 44 St. Alphonsus road, Dublin, came before Mr. Justice Dodd yesterday,

Mrs. Callan, the plaintiff and respondent, stated in her evidence that seven children, whose ages ranged from five years to seventeen years, in addition to defendant and his wife and a sheepdog, occupied one room. The defendant also made a workshop of the room, and damage had been done to the premises. Three times in one month she had had to send for the plumber.

The defendant (appellant) stated that the plaintiff asked him to come to the house. He got a back room and kitchen and was promised the whole house, the plaintiff telling him that she was going away.

His Lordship expressed surprise that so many people should be allowed to occupy one room. He affirmed the decree, with costs.

Mr. J. R. Stritch, who appeared on behalf of Mr. Tobias (instructed by Messrs. Stritch and Stritch), was for the plaintiff and respondent; and Mr. Gleeson (instructed by Mr. Brady) for the defendant and appellant.

CONVICTION QUASHED.

POSSESSION OF A REVOLVER AT DUBLIN DANCE.

Before the Recorder of Dublin last Wednesday James Roche, a clerk in the Bank of Ireland, appealed against his conviction on December 14th by Mr. E. A. Collins, K.C., for the alleged unlawful possession of a revolver at a dance.

Mr. O'Connor (instructed by Messrs. Noyk and O'Reilly) was for the appellant, whose case was that he attended a dance, got drunk, and somebody planted a revolver on him.

An official of the Bank said that Roche had eight years' service, and was an exemplary young man.

The Recorder said that, having regard to the evidence, he could not allow the conviction to stand.

The magistrate's decision was quashed.

STOLEN CLOTHES.

ARMED ROBBERY CHARGE AGAINST COUNTY MAYO MEN.

At Castlebar District Court yesterday, Patrick Sheridan and Peter Hogan, of Creevagh, Castlebar, were remanded in custody on the charge of having, while armed, stolen from the house of Patrick Blowick, Belcorre, two suits of clothes. The accused, it was stated, wore the suits at a dance.

Sergeant Tuohy, Civic Guard, Ballyhaunis, stated that he arrested the prisoners on Monday, and he took them to Castlebar, where they were divested of the suits, and provided with old Civic Guard uniforms until they got clothes from their relatives.

IRISH DEPORTEES.

MORE COMPENSATION AWARDS.

Further awards to Irishmen in Manchester who were arrested and detained in Mountjoy Prison, Dublin, were announced yesterday:—

William McMahon, provision dealer, got £836; J. C. Kingston, shop assistant, £465; J. Barrett, shopkeeper, £438; J. McGrath, cooper, £415; J. O'Dowd, shop assistant, £405. In another case the plaintiff, McGlynn, accepted approximately £340.

The men were arrested on March 11 last year and released on May 17.

The courts subsequently held that the arrests were unlawful.

Mr. G. Clavey, of Cross Gorton, Manchester, has been informed that the tribunal which inquired into his claim for compensation has awarded him £1,300. The amount for which he asked was £2,000.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE DRINK TRAFFIC.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—From time to time many letters appear in your valuable columns showing the excessive profits being made at present by Dublin publicans. Such letters are only wasting valuable space, as the ordinary man in the street is by this time fully conversant with the facts, and is only hoping that those in power will have sufficient courage to grapple with the situation. It is now quite evident that the Dublin publican will not make such reductions in his prices as would leave him a reasonable profit, and the only means of bringing him to his senses would be as follows:—

1. The Government should issue in the Dublin Metropolitan Area two hundred temporary licences for the sale of stout, porter and beer only.

2. Temporary licences should be granted for a period of three years, but not longer than five years, and whilst in operation should be subject to the existing licensing laws.

3. Any person who holds (or has held during the past twelve months) a wine, beer and spirit licence, or who is or has been interested therein, should not be granted a temporary licence.

4. Prices of stout, porter and beer sold on such premises should be subject to regulation by the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, and price lists should be prominently exposed in such premises.

5. Premises utilised and locality should be subject to Government approval.

6. Rents of such premises used should be subject to the Rents Restriction Act so as to prevent exorbitant prices from being demanded for likely premises.

That such an extension of licences would be an inducement to drink and drunkenness is not the case, as it would have just the very opposite effect. Any person who has been on the Continent must have been struck by the number of places where drink is offered for sale—even in fruit shops and picture post-card stalls wine and beer may be purchased—and cases of drunkenness are the exception, whereas in the United States of America, where prohibition is in force, the number of arrests for drunkenness is increasing rapidly each month. The issuing of temporary licences is, therefore, the only method of bringing the Dublin publican to his senses.

For long enough the licensed trade has had Government protection. No new licences have been issued for many years, with the result that the business is now in the hands of a "ring," many of whom are amassing wealth at an amazing rate. Quite recently a public-house was sold in Dublin for £22,000, while the will of a member of the licensed trade in Dublin was recently proved for a sum which almost ran to six figures. Is it not now time that the Government should withdraw some of the protection extended to publicans and give a little protection to the working man? The thinking and drinking population are the people who count in the work-a-day world, and as soon as they get the consideration they deserve from the Government so soon will all employers of labour in the Saorstat realise that the right barrel has been left too long untapped.—Yours, etc.,

"ANTI-SOCIALIST."

Dublin, January 24th, 1924.

NIGHT CLUBS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I note with some surprise that no comment has been made on the ridiculously inaccurate statements made by the Recorder of Dublin yesterday concerning English night clubs. As a shareholder and committee member of two of London's leading clubs I would like respectfully to point out that two high officials of the English police force and several responsible members of the Home Office and legal professions are members of these clubs, and there is no question of the English police trying to do away with them.

What the attitude of the English police is towards the several very unhealthy and nauseatingly boring dance-cellars which abound in London I cannot say; but I cannot believe that the Recorder meant deliberately to insult the owners of the few dance-halls that exist in Dublin by suggesting that these are on a par, or would be, if their licences were extended, with the sink-holes of vicious boredom referred to above. Surely, if Dublin is to attract visitors and tourists, it should have liberty to dance after twelve o'clock.

If the powers that be would refrain from seeing evil in every innocent attempt to brighten Dublin, and would lay the lash of their virtuous wrath on the backs of those who are responsible for the methylated spirit drink trade, the dirty Dublin streets and the unhealthy tenements—to quote only a few of the evils that need immediate remedy—they would be better employed.—Yours, etc.,

ARTHUR PHILLIPS.

25 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin,
January 24th, 1924.

IRISH TOURIST TRAFFIC.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Ireland and Irish newspapers are to-day much intrigued on the subject of attracting tourist traffic. Many very essential points are being considered and continue to be brought to notice. May I add one to the number? Is it realised that Dublin is the only large city in the world to-day not possessing an efficient taxicab service at a moderate tariff? Imagine the disgust of a tourist arriving tired on a wet morning at Westland Row and having to reach his hotel on an outside car, the usual tariff being "I love it to your honour," which, being interpreted, means unjustifiable extortion or violent grumbling.

Such a system must react unfavourably on the mind of a visitor at the very beginning of his stay in Ireland. Surely, in the interests of the country, an efficient taxicab service plying for hire should be encouraged forthwith.—Yours, etc.,

A. N. L. JOHNSTON.

Kingstown, January 24th, 1924.

MOTHER'S ALLEGED ATTEMPT TO STRANGLE INFANT.

In the Dublin Police Court yesterday Ellen Cahill was remanded for a week, charged with the attempted murder of her infant. It was alleged that on the 18th instant she tried to strangle the child in its sleep at the Bridewell, where she was being detained after being arrested for drunkenness.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORT.

Wind and Weather—W.S.W. wind, fresh breeze, fine.

Foreign Arrival—Ss. Finola, of Cardiff, 373 tons register, Captain Hagan, from Havre, via Belfast, with a general cargo. Discharging at North Wall.

Coastwise Arrivals—Ss. Silver Dawn, s. Silver Gulf, s. from Holyhead, with goods; ss. Yarrow, from Silloth, with goods; ss. Olive, from Heysham, with goods; ss. Puma, from Glasgow, with goods; ss. Lady Louth, from Liverpool, with goods; ss. Lady Kildare, from Manchester, with goods; ss. Clarecastle, from Manchester, with empties; ss. Ethel, from Liverpool, with Sours Julis (schooner), from Wexford, with malt; ss. Lonsdale, from Whitehaven, with coals; ss. Glencageary, from Partington, with coals; ss. St. Hirrin, from Garston, with coals.

Foreign Departure—Ss. Federal, of Newark (N.J.), 4,508 tons register, Captain Dinlan, for Galveston, in ballast.

Coastwise Departures—Ss. Silvermore, ss. Snowdon, for Holyhead, with goods; ss. Olive, for Heysham, with goods; ss. Lady Louth, for Liverpool, with goods and live stock; ss. Lady Wicklow, ss. Bandon, for Manchester, with goods and live stock; ss. Lady Brussels, for Preston, with goods and live stock; Mary Millar, for Clonakilty, with manure; ss. Lonsdale, for Kingstown, with coals; ss. Carnlish, for Margport, light; ss. Stainburn, for Whitehaven, light; ss. Cairngorm, ss. Pine, for Ayr, light; ss. Silverfield, for Piel, light; ss. Aquilla, for Ormeshead, light; ss. Lisadell, ss. Malin, for Liverpool, light; ss. Walney, for Barrport, light; ss. Glencullen, for Partington, light; ss. Stanley, ss. Ethel, for Garston, light; ss. Priscilla, for Fleetfield, light; ss. Beeston, for Llanelly, light.

RECORDS THAT SHOULD BE IN EVERY HOME

(Fourth List)

These lists are extracted from the General Record Catalogue, with a view to drawing the attention of gramophone owners to records which should be included in every collection.

Tudor Davies 7/6
All hail, thou dwelling pure (Faust) (D. 739) *Gounod*
See here thy floweret (Carmen) *Bizet*

Edna Thornton 7/6
Have I lost thee (Che farò) ("Orpheus") (D. 691) *Gluck*
When the heart is young *Buck*

Carmen Hill 5/3
Gipsies (E. 296) *Graham Peel*
The Ozen *Graham Peel*

Robert Radford 7/6
I'll have vengeance ("Marriage of Figaro") (D. 115) *Mozart*
My power is absolute ("Boris Godounov") *Moussorgsky*

De Reszke Singers 5/3
Deep River (Unaccompanied) (E. 300) *arr. Burleigh*
Swing along *W. M. Cook*

The Gresham Singers 7/6
Discord, dire Sister (D. 673) *S. Webbe*
Jenks' Vegetable Compound *Macey*

Sir Harry Lauder 7/6
I've loved her ever since she was a baby (D. 395) *Lauder*
It's nicer to be in bed *Lauder*

Alfred Lester 5/3
I do like to sing in my bath (C. 1114)
I love me ("Rats"—Revue)

Harry Weldon 5/3
The White Hope (Parts 1 and 2) (C. 764) *Weldon*

Cedric Sharpe ('cello) 7/6
Le Cygne (D. 660) *Saint-Saëns*
Drink to me only with thine eyes *arr. Squire*

Irene Scharrer (pianoforte) 7/6
Arabesque No. 2 in G Minor (D. 576) *Debussy*
Prelude and Fugue in C Sharp Major *Bach*

Moiséiviteh (pianoforte) 7/6
Impromptu in F Sharp, Op. 36 (D. 735) *Chopin*
Perpetuum Mobile *Weber*

Byrd String Sextet 5/3
Fantazia for String Sextet (Parts 1 and 2) (E. 293) *Byrd*

18th Century Orchestra 7/6
(Conducted by F. AUSTIN)
"The Beggar's Opera"—Selection (Gay-Austin) (D. 699)

Royal Albert Hall Orchestra 7/6
(Conducted by EUGENE GOOSSENS)
Molly on the shore—Irish Reel (D. 694) *Grainger*
Tam O'Shanter—Scherzo *Goossens*

Coldstream Guards Band 5/3 each
(Conducted by LIEUT.-COL. J. MACKENZIE ROGAN, M.V.O.)
Light Cavalry Overture (C. 244) *Suppé*
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FROM THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Friday, January 25, 1924.

COURT OF APPEAL.—For Monday next, 28th January, New Trial Motion—O'Connor v. Dublin United Tramways Co. (1896), Ltd. For Tuesday, 29th January—In re Gordon, a bankrupt, R.B.D. (Bankrupter), re-entered; Workmen's Compensation Act, Lyons v. Donovan.

HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.—CHANCERY DIVISION.—Lord Chief Justice of Ireland. Before the Right Hon. the Lord Chief Justice of Ireland. In the Court of Appeal, at 11.30 o'clock. Petitions for Appointment of Notary Public and Commissioners for Oaths—Daniel M. Delaney, at Cashel; Francis Phillips, do.; Thomas P. O'Keeffe, at Carrick-on-Suir. In Lunacy. Motion—52nd Section, Roche and Sons. Petitions—52nd Section, Baker, Ringwood and Gordon; 68th Section and Trustee Acts, Thomas J. Kelly; 15th Section, N. J. O'Sullivan. In Chamber—1O3rd Section, Lynch and Deering. At Chambers—Wilson, minors; O'Flaherty, minors. County Court Appeal—Donnelly v. Rogers and ors. In Lunacy. Before the Registrar, at 11.30 o'clock—Settle report, Brown and McCann. Before the Assistant Registrar, at 12.30 o'clock—Summons, J. Robinson, Kearney. Before the Examiner, at 11.30 o'clock—Vcb. ac., W. L. Hodgins; do., J. Robinson. Before the Lord Chief Justice's Chambers. Before the Chief Clerk, at 12.30 o'clock—Finnegan, minors.

ROLLS COURT.—For Wednesday, 13th February. Actions—Foran and ors. v. Lark

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DUBLIN CORPORATION.
WATER OFF NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that owing to urgent repairs to the 24" Vartry Main, the water will be turned off the higher levels on the North Side of the city, and in the Inchicore and Chapelizod Districts, from 12 noon on this day (Friday), 25th January, 1924, for at least twelve hours.
Residents in the areas affected are requested to make provision for the storage of supplies in the meantime.
By Order
JOHN J. MURPHY, Town Clerk, Secretary Waterworks and Markets Committee.
Fishamble street, Dublin,
24th January, 1924.

COMHAIRLE-BAILE BHI CUALANN.
NOTIFICATION OF RESTORATION OF NAME OF BRAY TO IRISH FORM, BRI CUALANN.
Please take notice that the following Resolution was unanimously adopted at a Meeting of the Wicklow County Council, held on 10th December, 1923, viz.:—
RESOLVED:—That in pursuance of the powers vested in the Council under the provisions of Article 14 (1) of the Local Government (Application of Enactments) Order, 1898, we, the Council of the County of Wicklow, hereby approve and sanction the proposal of Bray Urban District Council to change the name of the town of Bray to the Irish form, Bri Cualann, and that due notice of this change be given to the general public by means of a poster put up throughout the entire County, and by means of an advertisement in the Three Dublin morning papers, in the weekly papers circulating within the County, and in at least one issue of "Iris Oifigiuil."
Seán Mac Cathmaoil,
Cléireach an Daile.
Oifig an Daile, Bri Cualann,
24/1/24.

BANK OF IRELAND.
23rd January, 1924.
THE COURT OF DIRECTORS of the GOVERNOR and COMPANY of the BANK of IRELAND give notice:—
That a General Court will be held at the Bank on Friday next, the 25th inst., at one o'clock, to receive the Report from the Court of Directors for the year ended 31st ultimo, to Declare a Dividend, and to consider Alterations in Bye-Law No. 3.
ROBERT J. BUCKLEY, Secretary.

MEATH COUNTY CRICKET CLUB.
Take Notice that I, on behalf of the above Club, applied for a Renewal Licence, under the Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Act, 1904, to the District Justice at Navan District Court on Wednesday, January 23rd, 1924.
M. J. SULLIVAN,
Hon. Sec. to Club.

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By
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IRISH NATIONAL TEACHERS' ORGANISATION (DUBLIN BRANCH).
The Annual General Meeting of the above Branch will be held on TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), at 12 o'clock, at 36 Parnell square.
Business—Election of Officers, Committee, and Delegates, to Congress.
HON. SECRETARY.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Thirteenth Annual General Meeting of the members of the Royal United Kingdom Beneficent Association will be held on Tuesday, 12th February, 1924, at 3.15 p.m., to receive the report and accounts of the Committee for the year 1923, and to elect members of the Committee and Auditors.
H. P. HUSSEY,
Secretary.
24th January, 1924.

MR. OLIVER O'CONNOR RE-ARRESTED.

"Citizen" Oliver O'Connor was re-arrested yesterday afternoon between 3 and 4 o'clock at Kildare street, Dublin. He was charged with obstructing and assaulting the police.

The Irish Times.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25, 1924.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

Lieutenant R. P. Nevin, of the Free State Army Air Force, has died from injuries received in a flying accident at Baldonnell.—(Page 5.)

The annual report of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce, which will be discussed by the Chamber on Wednesday next, states that the restoration of order in the Free State has opened up avenues for fresh enterprise in industry of which prompt and full value must be taken.—(Page 3.)

At the meeting of the Grangegorman Mental Hospital Joint Committee yesterday the Chairman, commenting on the alarming increase of insanity, said that additional accommodation was urgently needed in view of the continued influx of new patients to the institution.—(Page 7.)

Two railway checkers in Derry were dismissed yesterday because they refused to handle goods delivered to the company by non-union labour, whereupon thirty-four other men struck work. All goods traffic at the station has been stopped.—(Page 5.)

The Senate yesterday, while insisting on its right to amend the Fisheries Bill, modified in some respects the amendment which the Dail has refused to accept, and sent it to the Lower House for consideration.—(Page 5.)

The question of the housing of the Oireachtas was discussed in the Dail yesterday. It was referred to a committee.—(Page 5.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

Negotiations have not been resumed between the railway managers and leaders. There was some improvement in the train service yesterday.—(Page 5.)

Mr. H. Gosling, M.P., has been appointed Minister of Transport, and Mr. Frank Hodges Civil Lord of the Admiralty.—(Page 5.)

FINANCIAL.

In London yesterday the Stock Markets were quiet, but firm, and the close was quite good.—(Page 9.)

Money was in better supply in Lombard street, but rates were no easier. Discounts were weaker. The foreign exchanges showed erratic movements.—(Page 9.)

Dublin Stock Market was steady, the feature being a sharp rise in Textile Shares.—(Page 9.)

Nation-Builders.

On Wednesday we advocated, not for the first time, the appointment of a National Committee of Fine Arts "to advise the Government and Parliament upon all public works that are intended not only to serve, but to adorn, the new Ireland." In this matter the Free State could have given a lead to Britain, but now must be content to follow. It was announced yesterday that the King, on the advice of the late Prime Minister, had created a Fine Arts Commission for England. The new body consists of nine members who receive no payment, have no statutory power and can exercise no compulsion. Seven of the nine must be professional artists—four architects, a painter, a sculptor and a landscape artist—and the other two must be laymen well qualified in the arts. By an excellent provision the new body will have no *ex officio* members: no unsuitable person can thrust himself on the Commission merely because he is the president of some Royal society or institute. The first chairman is the Earl of Crawford and Balcarres, and the other members include the Marquis Curzon, Sir Aston Webb, Sir Edwin Lutyens and Mr. D. Y. Cameron. Some £2,000 a year, to cover office expenses, travelling expenses and a secretary's salary, will be the total cost to the State. The Commission's knowledge and skill will be at the service of all the public departments; but its scope is not confined to the assistance of official enterprises. It is ready to give advice to municipal bodies, to private donors of buildings and statues, and to people who are charged with the making of public parks and gardens, the planning of new towns and the preservation of ancient monuments. The result of its work ought to be a steady elevation of the standards of public taste.

We hope that the Government of the Free State will be inspired by England's example to appoint a National Committee of Fine Arts without further delay. The cost of an Irish Committee on the English model would not be more than £1,000 a year; and Mr. Blythe ought not to grudge the money, because the Committee's advice probably would avert much unprofitable expenditure. The Free State has far greater need than Britain—perhaps, than any other country in the world—of a body of artists which, by its persistent influence, will raise the standard of public taste or, rather, will call such a standard into existence. England is an old country that has, for the most part, "all things in order stored." The Ireland of the Anglo-Irish settlement is a new country—a virgin page which her people have yet to blot or beautify. It is certain that within the next twenty years the capital will be enlarged with new streets and with great public buildings—perhaps, with a new Parliament House and a new Cathedral. Provincial towns will be refashioned; pleasure gardens will be planned; new roads will run from North to South and from East to West. If all these things are to be worthy of our country's augmented *status*, they must not be allowed to shape themselves at haphazard. They must spring from the co-ordinated genius of the race, so founding traditions of style and craftsmanship that will enrich not only Ireland, but the artistic content of the whole world. As we said on Wednesday, the new Ireland never can hope to be great as Rome was great or as England is great to-day; but another sort of greatness is not beyond her grasp—the greatness of Athens, which was, and abides, a greatness born of formulated beauty in all the moulds of life. That is the sort of greatness to which other small countries, like Sweden, are aspiring now; but popular legislatures and Boards of Works are powerless to create it. The "only begetters" of a nation's beautiful works and traditions are its artists, and there are men in the Free State to-day who are fit, and would be proud, to undertake such noble responsibility. We invite the Senate to urge the Government to appoint forthwith a National Committee of Fine Arts.

Posts and Railways.

The annual report of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce is an encouraging document. The change since 1922 has been remarkable. Then life and property were not worth a day's purchase. Now, as the report affirms, "a state of security . . . has been re-established" and there is likely to be no further challenge to the authority of the Free State Government. Then business in Southern Ireland was virtually impossible. Cross-Channel firms were refusing to trade with our importers, transport was disorganised and sabotage was the order of the day. Ireland seemed to be sinking into a slough of commercial despond. Her people were cowed and apathetic, enterprise was stagnant and the collapse of the whole economic fabric of the country seemed to be inevitable, when, almost in the twinkling of an eye, the Irish people found themselves again. Now business is flourishing, the success of the ten million pound National Loan has given a lively stimulus to trade and commerce and new factories are springing up throughout the country. For this welcome transformation the chief credit is due to the Free State Government, and we are glad that the Chamber of Commerce pays a very high tribute to it. But for the courage of Mr. Cosgrave and his colleagues the Free State never could have survived the awful trials of that dark year, and the business community has shown its appreciation of their work by its splendid response to their appeal for the National Loan. The Free State has turned its back on ruin and disorder, and the Government already has begun the laborious task of building up a sound and flourishing economy. In the Dublin Chamber of Commerce it has a valuable ally, whose staunch loyalty to the new order of things the annual report establishes beyond a doubt.

Naturally enough, the Dublin Chamber of Commerce has certain criticisms to make concerning the administration of the country, and in two of them, at any rate, it will have the hearty approval of the public. The first relates to the Post Office. In every country under the sun efficient business depends to a large extent upon an efficient postal service. The administration of the Free State Post Office has been improved considerably during the last year, but it still leaves very much to be desired. Not only are more speedy and more accurate services essential, but a reduction in postal rates is wanted very badly. The Chamber of Commerce demands that they shall be brought down as soon as possible to the British level, and there is no doubt that the present disparity between the rates in Southern and Northern Ireland is absurd. It constitutes a heavy handicap on the Southern business man to the advantage of his Northern competitors. The other criticism concerns the railways. When it was announced that the Government contemplated a scheme of railway unification a deputation from the Dublin Chamber of Commerce waited on Mr. Cosgrave, who gave it all the information at his disposal. Apparently, the Government is still ready to listen to proposals from responsible persons, and the Chamber of Commerce intends to present it with a series of considered suggestions about the railways as soon as possible. The Chamber is opposed strongly to unification, which, according to the report, would be "almost, if not quite, as fatal," as complete State ownership and control. This also is our view, and we hope that the Government will think many times before it decides to fly in the face of the business men's advice.

Lunacy in Ireland.

At the meeting of the joint Committee of the Grangegorman Mental Hospital yesterday some startling facts were revealed concerning the recent increase in lunacy in the Asylum's area. Between 1893 and 1923 the number increased by over 2,000, from 1,383 to 3,397; and the increase was 133 in the latter year. The return of peace seems to have stimulated lunacy, and it is not surprising that members of the Committee were puzzled to find a reason for this phenomenon. One explanation may be that during the years of destruction lunatics were thought to be no madder than their neighbours. Alderman Staines, however, identified the cause with the conditions of anxiety and want that have prevailed since the peace began, on account of unemployment and the high cost of living. Insanity, however, is a mental rather than a physical state, and appears with most frequency among classes that can give free play to their imagination. In this respect unemployment plays a part, since it deprives people of normal occupation for their minds as well as their bodies. Dr. Donelan told the Committee that he did not think that alcohol was greatly accountable for the increase. In Ireland, however, there is a special aspect of the question—namely, widespread indulgence in illicitly distilled and improperly matured spirit. Poteen has been condemned, rightly, as poison. Its effect on the brain is disastrous and, in cases when it is taken repeatedly, permanent. Yesterday's disclosures must be taken as additional evidence of the vital necessity for the suppression of this menace to the nation's life.

The Railway Strike.

The railway strike has not taken England unawares, and traffic is not paralysed by any means. The latest reports are reassuring; there is a steady improvement in train services, especially in the country districts. The Great Western Railway was able to run seven additional trains yesterday. The decision of the members of the National Union of Railwaymen at Hull to return to work is of much importance. In spite of Mr. Bromley's defiant attitude, it is apparent that the dice are loaded against him, and his union hardly can hope for success. Transport by road is playing a large part in the relief of the situation, notably in the London area. Londoners are being provided with milk and vegetables, partly by a restricted train service and partly by motor vehicles, and the general problem of food supply is being solved effectively. The strike, however, has dealt a severe blow at the coal industry. Factories are finding that their needs cannot be supplied adequately by road, while private consumers have begun to feel the pinch. A strict scheme of rationing has been adopted in London, where most people had neglected to provide themselves with a reserve of coal sufficient to meet the emergency. Nevertheless, there is no hint of panic, and the Stock Exchange, which is an accurate mirror of national opinion, keeps a confident tone.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The Duke of York, to mark his official connection with the Richmond Royal Horse Show Society, has presented a handsome silver challenge cup for competition in the military jumping class (for officers) at the show next June. To-morrow night the Duke will be the guest of honour at the annual banquet of the Birmingham Jewellers' and Silversmiths' Association, and will propose the toast of success to the association.

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Prince Viggo of Denmark has left London after a brief stay for New York, and will attend the wedding of Prince Erik of Denmark and Miss Lois Booth, which is now arranged for February 11th.

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The Earl of Lonsdale, who is sixty-seven to-day, left England recently for a tour in the West Indies. In 1882 he succeeded his elder brother as fifth Earl, Hereditary Admiral of the Coasts of Cumberland and Westmorland, and Lord Warden of the West Marches. He is a keen sportsman and seldom misses any of the hunting season, but Lady Lonsdale's health has caused them to abandon their usual winter programme.

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Lord Cheylesmore, who, with Lady Cheylesmore, is in the South of France, celebrates his seventy-sixth birthday to-day. He is third son of the first Baron and brother of the second, whom he succeeded in 1902. As Colonel the Hon. Herbert Eaton, he was well known in Dublin, when he was here with his regiment, the Grenadier Guards. He takes a deep interest in local affairs in London, and has been Mayor of Westminster twice, and also Chairman of the London County Council, and is connected with several Territorial Army associations. By his marriage with the daughter of Mr. F. Ormond French, of New York, he has two sons. The elder, the Hon. Francis Eaton, D.S.O., was for some time in the Grenadier Guards, and served through the European War, and was mentioned in despatches.

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The Duchess of Hamilton and Brandon has left London for Ferne, Salisbury. The Duke and Duchess of Roxburghe have returned to their London residence from Floors Castle. Earl Fitzwilliam, who paid a short visit to St. Moritz, has returned to London. Viscount and Viscountess Long of Wraxall, the Earl of Dysart, Lord Kenyon, Lord Barnby, Lady Beatrix Wilkinson, Sir Douglas and Lady Newton, Lord Hothfield, Sir Francis Laking and Sir Alexander Leith are among the latest arrivals in London.

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Lord Henniker, sixth holder of the Barony, created in 1800, is fifty-two to-day. He is the descendant of John Henniker, who by special remainder succeeded his father-in-law, Sir John Major, as a Baronet, and was raised to the peerage of Ireland as Baron Henniker of Stratford-upon-Slaney. The additional surname of Major was assumed by Royal licence, and in 1866 a Barony of the United Kingdom was conferred on the fourth holder of the title, who had previously represented East Suffolk in Parliament for twenty-five years. The present peer, who was for a time in the Rifle Brigade, is unmarried, and the heir presumptive to the title is his brother, the Hon. Gerald Henniker-Major.

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Among yesterday's departures for Marseilles to join the ss. Maloja were the Earl and Countess of Mount Edgcumbe, Viscount and Viscountess Inchcape, Lord and Lady Ashburton, Lady Howitt, Air-Marshal Sir Oliver and Lady Swann, the Governor-Designate of New South Wales and Lady De Chair, Sir Wilfrid and Lady Stokes, Sir Cecil and Lady Budd and Sir William Dupree. The Earl and Countess of Rosslyn will leave Southampton to-day for Madeira, Count and Countess Anton Sigray, Sir Francis Voules, and Sir Arthur and Lady Duckham have left England for New York by the ss. Majestic. Mr. Pennoyer and Lady Winifred Pennoyer will leave London on Saturday for Brazil.

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The engagement is announced of Donal Charles Blake Jennings, Royal Ulster Constabulary, third son of I. R. B. Jennings, Esq., County Inspector, R.I.C. (retired), and Mrs. Jennings, Eccles street, Dublin, and Clara Philomena, youngest daughter of the late Dr. Edmond Frost and Mrs. Frost, Beech-Lawn, Newmarket-on-Fergus, Co. Clare.

MARRIAGE OF MR. COCKAYNE ASSHETON AND THE HON. SYLVIA HOTHAM.

Yesterday afternoon in St. Paul's, Knightsbridge, the marriage took place of Mr. Ralph Assheton, only son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Cockayne Assheton, of Downham Hall, Clitheroe, and the Hon. Sylvia Benita Hotham, elder daughter of the late Lord Hotham and Lady Hotham, and grand-daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Sanders, LL.D., of Sanders Park, Charleville, Co. Cork. The bride, who was given away by her cousin, Lord Hotham, was attended by eight bridesmaids—the Hon. Jocelyn Hotham, the Misses Assheton, the Misses Angela and Jean Hotham, Miss Edwina Drummond and Miss Katherine Timpson. Mr. I. J. Pitman, the well-known Rugby football-player, supported the bridegroom as best man. After the ceremony, Lady Hotham held a reception at 32 Princes Gate, and later the bride and bridegroom left for the honeymoon, which will be spent in Corsica.

Switzer's Sale will end to-morrow. All remaining stock is now marked down heavily to effect a complete clearance.
Hundreds of Remnants—Wrap, Dress Fabrics, and Silks to be cleared regardless of cost.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 George's street.
Last Days of Robert's Sale—Final Reductions throughout. The Children's Department is offering some superb bargains to-day.—Robert and Co., Ltd., Grafton street.
Last few days of Sale. All goods greatly reduced.—Campbell and Strahan, Ltd., Ladies' Tailors, 11 Wicklow street.
Veronica (Miss Long) has returned from Paris with some of her Spring Models in Evening Gowns by Rameau, Jane Marchand, and Marthe Rivière at reasonable prices. Outdoor Spring Gowns and Millinery will be shown from 31st inst.—31 Upper Baggot st.
Further Reductions of Costumes, Furs, and Coats at W. Leon, 133 Stephen's Green.
Alice (late Switzers)—Further reduction in Gowns and Coats. Limited number Hats, 10s. 6d. and 21s.—18 Stephen's Green.
We are copying new model costumes and coat frocks at tempting prices this month.—Slyne and Co., Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

PASSENGERS ON ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.
Arrivals:—Rev. Canon Morrow, Miss Morrow.
Departures:—J. M. Bruen, H. R. Law, Miss Richards, Miss E. Watkinson, Rev. R. B. Taylor, O.C.C.; Henry Fry, C. L. Brookes, Captain H. A. Stokes, Miss Hague, Miss Alice Bartholomew, Miss G. Robinson, Miss M. Chambers, Miss N. C. Edwards, Miss G. L. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Torah, Mrs. Fitt, Master Fitt, A. H. and F. D. Farmer.

McBirney and Co.'s Great Annual Winter Sale, this and coming days. Write for Price List.
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TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"Dick Whittington," 7.30 p.m.
Theatre Royal—"Phi-Phi," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Abbey Theatre—"Aftermath," 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"Cinderella," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Olympia Theatre—"Aladdin," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
La Scala Theatre—"Trifling Women," 3.15, 5.45 and 8.15 p.m.
Metropole Cinema—"The Prodigal Son," 2.0, 4.10, 6.25, and 8.40 p.m.
The Grafton—"Merry Go Round," 1.30, 3.50, 6.10 and 8.30 p.m.
Corinthian—"The Men of Zanzibar."
Princess, Rathmines—"Wild Honey."
Pavilion, Dun Laoghaire—"The Voice from the Minaret," 3.55, 6.15 and 8.45 p.m.
Royal Dublin Society—Afternoon Lectures—Royal College of Surgeons, 4.30.

LONDON THEATRES.

"ALICE SIT BY THE FIRE."

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Thursday.

Five of Sir J. M. Barrie's plays are running in London, now that "Alice Sit by the Fire" has been revived at the Comedy Theatre. Most readers are familiar with the play.

Miss Marie Tempest is at her best as Alice, the mother. She extracts every ounce of humour out of the part, and it is a delight to watch her mock heroics whilst humouring her daughter, Amy.

Amy, played by Miss Elizabeth Irving, was not so well cast. Miss Irving does not succeed in making the silly girl, with her crude views on life, possible for one moment. This is, perhaps, the fault of the part. Such a girl seems scarcely credible in these days, and it may be that the character is so exaggerated that no actress could make it convincing. Miss Peggy Rush as her friend, Leonora, played the simpleton with much better effect.

Graham Brown, Herbert Marshall and Leslie French were all excellent in the men's parts, while Miss Helen Saintsbury, a newcomer, was quite clever in the small part of a servant.

The laughter was continuous, and there is no reason why the revival should not be popular.

"THE CO-OPTIMISTS."

To-night the popular "Co-optimists" gave a "special request" programme at the Prince of Wales' Theatre, and every song and dance would have been thrice encored had time permitted. This band of pierrots, with their simple scenery and effective costumes, have, by their excellent team work and keenness, provided one of the best entertainments in London. Miss Phyllis Monkman, Mr. Davy Burnaby, and Mr. Gilbert Childs have been members ever since the company—the first co-operative stage venture—was formed, and Miss Monkman has not missed a performance.

THE POPE AND FRANCE.

BISHOPS URGED TO ACCEPT ASSOCIATIONS LAW.

PARIS, Thursday.

The Pope's letter to the French bishops, in which he invites them to permit the formation of Diocesan Associations to administer ecclesiastical property in France, has been received with general satisfaction. Ever since 1903, the date of the separation of Church and State in France, these Associations, which were provided for by law at that time in order to give the Church, after its separation, a definite *status*, have been in abeyance.

It was in 1920 that the subject of the Associations was taken up officially by the Vatican. When Pius XI. succeeded to the Pontificate he found that a draft plan for the establishment of the Diocesan Associations had been drawn up by his predecessor, and he took the decisive step of asking the French Government if this plan was acceptable to them.

The present letter to the French bishops, not ordering, but permitting, the formation of Diocesan Associations, declares that His Holiness, while condemning the Separation Law, but considering that circumstances and the relations between the Apostolic See and the French Republic have undergone a profound change, is ready to allow a trial to be made of the Diocesan Associations on condition that the supreme interests of the Church and of religion are safeguarded.

The French law on the subject provides for the formation of associations comprising bishops and lay and clerical members, with their headquarters at the bishoprics. The aim of such associations is defined as "to provide for the expenditure and upkeep of the Catholic religion under the authority of the bishop in communion with the Holy See." A bishop becomes automatically president of the association of his diocese.

The manner in which the Pope's letter has been received is well indicated by the *Journal des Débats*, which writes:—"We cannot doubt that such words, coming from so high a source, will be heard. We sincerely believe that the formation of Diocesan Associations marks a red-letter day for religious peace and the organisation of the Church in our country."—(Reuter.)

OBITUARY.

REV. W. HENRY KERR.

The Rev. W. Henry Kerr, who for 37 years was Rector of Dalkey, County Dublin, died yesterday, after a brief illness, at his residence, Oakwood, Avoca, County Wicklow, in his eightieth year. Mr. Kerr graduated Bachelor of Arts in Dublin University in 1871, and took his Master's degree three years later. He was ordained Deacon in 1870 and Priest in 1871. Before his appointment as Rector of Dalkey he was curate of St. Patrick's Parish, Waterford, 1870-74, and of Christ Church, Leeson Park, Dublin, 1874-77. Mr. Kerr resigned the rectorship of Dalkey in 1914.

REV. BURTON TRIMNEL TURNEY.

The death occurred in Richmond Hospital, Dublin, yesterday, of the Rev. Burton Trimnel Turney, Rector of Roundstone, County Galway. Mr. Turney was ordained in the Diocese of Kilmore. He had held a curacy at Cootehill, and incumbencies at Shercock, St. Anne, Easkey, and Burrishoole.

MR. STEPHEN HAND.

A well-known official of the Dublin Corporation died yesterday in the person of Mr. Stephen Hand, 98 North Circular road. He contracted influenza about two weeks ago, and it developed into pneumonia. Mr. Hand entered the Dublin Corporation's permanent service in 1917, and retired on pension in March last, under the Local Government Act, 1919. He had supervised all matters dealing with the franchise and the jurors' lists.

WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—The main depression lies beyond Iceland, and a shallow secondary over Southern England is moving slowly east. Winds will be mainly westerly, fresh or strong at times in the North and West, and the weather will be fair, apart from local showers. The temperature will be moderate.

Ireland.—Wind westerly, moderate, fresh or strong at times; considerable bright periods, local showers of rain or hail; very good visibility; moderate temperature.

All Irish Seaboards.—Wind westerly, moderate or fresh, strong at times; mainly fair, local showers; good visibility; sea rather rough.

SENATE STANDS FIRM.

ITS REFUSAL TO AMEND THE FISHERIES BILL.

HOUSING THE OIREACHTAS

STRONG OPPOSITION TO THE KILMAINHAM SCHEME.

The conflict between the Senate and the Dail on the former's right to amend the Fisheries Bill was carried a stage further yesterday, when the Senate modified its amendment with regard to the remission of penalties, and forwarded it to the Lower House for consideration.

Amendments to the Judiciary Bill respecting the age at which judges shall retire, and the Government's power to grant pensions after five years' service in certain cases, were passed.

On the motion for the adjournment Sir John Keane raised the question of wireless broadcasting, and pointed out that both Houses of the Oireachtas should have an opportunity of discussing any proposal that might be made. President Cosgrave promised to have copies of the Special Committee's report placed before the Senate.

The principal business in the Dail was the discussion of the President's motion to make the Royal Hospital, Kilmainham, the temporary home of Parliament, and to refer the question of permanent premises to a committee representing both Houses.

The President said that the Royal Dublin Society had been inconvenienced by the use of Leinster House as a Parliament House, and that the Senate and Dail needed better accommodation. The Royal Hospital could be adopted for the purpose within a year at a cost of £45,000.

Many people, for sentimental reasons, would like to see the Oireachtas installed in the old House in College Green. If a motion were passed to that effect, they could not get possession of the place for seven years, and the cost would be about £1,000,000. The housing problem should be tackled before they embarked on large expenditures in that direction.

The Government Whips were withdrawn, so that the members could express their opinions freely on the motion. It was resolved to refer the whole question to a Committee drawn from both Houses, with instructions to issue a report within six weeks.

THE SENATE.

FISHERIES BILL.

MODIFIED AMENDMENT REJECTED.

Lord Glenavy took the chair in the Senate at 3 p.m. yesterday.

The House immediately resumed the discussion on the Fisheries Bill. The subject matter was the amendment of the Senate to insert a new Section 9 to the bill, as follows:—

"No penalty inflicted under this Act shall be reduced or remitted, save on the recommendation of the judge or justice who imposes such penalty, and any recommendation for such reduction or remission shall be made at the same time as the penalty is imposed."

The Chairman said that the discussion had been suspended for the purpose of enabling the Government to consider the effect of certain additional words to the amendment. The Minister would tell them the Government's views.

The Minister for Fisheries said that the modified amendment had been considered by the Government, and it had been found unacceptable, probably for Constitutional reasons on which he did not claim to be competent to speak.

The Minister was proceeding to discuss the general principle of the bill, when the Chairman suggested that Mr. Lynch should defer his remarks until he had the views of the Senate.

The Chairman said the position was whether the Senate would adhere to its amendment, or would alter it in any shape or form, or whether it would acquiesce in its being turned down by the Dail. The motion before the House when the debate stopped on Wednesday, was moved by Senator Jameson, and was to add to the amendment:—"Save and except in any case in which the Minister of Fisheries should certify that he has been satisfied that a miscarriage of justice had taken place." That was the matter before the House.

Senator Jameson said that he hoped that in dealing with the matter the Minister would have given them some reasons why the altered amendment was not acceptable to the Government.

The Chairman said that he was responsible for that, as he considered that it would not have been fair to ask the Minister to make a general statement before he had heard the reasons given by the members of the Senate. But if the members preferred to hear the Minister first he was entirely in the hands of the House.

THE PROBLEM.

Mr. Jameson said that the point he was anxious to make was that there was really no difference of opinion amongst them at all as regarded the bill, and they believed that the intentions of the Ministry in introducing it were theirs. The question of the merits of this amendment was another thing.

They had done their best on the previous day to meet the Government on the one point on which it made some real and adequate objection to that amendment. If the Government had other reasons for turning down the Senate, and if the Minister could show them why the Government considered the amendment injudicious, it would be a very wise line for the Minister to let them hear what they were.

Sir Thomas Esmonde said that he agreed with Senator Jameson. The difference was very small between the two Houses. Why should they not come to some arrangement which would preserve the dignity of both sides. He would like to know why the Minister had not been able to accept the amendment of yesterday, and if the Minister could make any suggestion as to how they could get out of this *impasse*.

Mr. Lysaght said he would second Senator Jameson's motion. It had not been seconded yesterday. The matter had now resolved into a difference on the Constitutional relations between the two Houses, and the sooner they made up their minds the better.

Mr. Guinness said that the Minister had on a former occasion stated that it was the intention of the Government shortly to introduce a bill dealing with the whole question of fisheries. Would the Minister give any undertaking that in framing that bill he would consider the views of the Senate with regard to remission with a view to their possible adoption? That assurance might satisfy the House.

The Chairman said that that would be a complete abandonment by the Senate of its position, and he thought that would be a very unsatisfactory solution. Let them see if they could bring about some compromise in the amendment which would not also compromise the rights and dignity of the Senate in reference to the situation that had just arisen, and not in reference to a situation that might arise, and in regard to which the Minister could not give them any pledge.

REASONS NOT STATED.

Mr. Lynch said that the Government had considered the amendment very carefully, and had decided against the arguments of the Senate. The amendment was unacceptable for the reasons already put forward.

The Chairman said that it could not be for reasons already put forward, for the reason they gave was that they wanted to provide for any case of a miscarriage of justice. The Senate's amendment provided for that and enabled them to apply a remedy.

Mr. Lynch said that he was not the Government's legal authority in this matter. He accepted the Chairman's definition of miscarriage of justice as the last word in the legal point of view, but there might be other matters involved.

The Chairman said that he had only given well-known illustrations of what were miscarriages of justice, and did not consider that they were exhaustive. The amendment recognised and reserved the right to remit penalties. The representation as to mitigating circumstances was to be made at the time. The amendment did not take it out of their power to make a remission, nor did it take it out of the power of the Executive.

Mr. Douglas said that he thought that the proper action for the Senate to take to meet the difficulty that had arisen would be to send their suggestion to the Dail in the hope that they would send it back changed to a form that would meet the case. The Minister wanted to get at the poacher, and the Senate had introduced its amendment for the purpose of making sure that he would get at him.

Colonel Moore thought Senator Douglas was right—that they should go through the form of passing the amendment as it stood and refer it back to the Dail. The Dail had a right to ask them to form a Joint Committee, and, no doubt, this and other matters could be referred to it, and some form of words would be agreed upon.

The Chairman, in order to meet a point raised by Mr. Kenny in regard to a defendant's right to appeal, suggested that the amendment should read:—No penalty inflicted under this Act shall be reduced or remitted save on the recommendation of the Justices who impose such penalty or the Circuit Judge in the event of appeal, and any recommendation for such reduction or remission shall be made at the same time the penalty was imposed or the conviction confirmed.

Mr. Jameson said that he was perfectly prepared to accept that suggestion.

The Minister for Home Affairs suggested that, instead of the Circuit Judge the Judge of Appeal should be inserted in the amendment.

This suggestion was accepted, and the amendment was passed unanimously.

JUDICIARY BILL.

CONVENIENCE OF MINISTERS.

The Courts of Justice Bill (Committee stage) was the next item on the agenda, and

The Minister for Home Affairs said that the President of the Dail desired to know if it would meet the convenience of the senators to take the Public Safety (Powers of Arrest and Detention) Temporary Bill.

The Chairman said that, as he stated on the previous day, and as he would repeat that day, he was very anxious to oblige Ministers, and more particularly the President, for he knew how very busy he was, and that even when he was in that Chamber for a short time how infrequently messengers came in to him. He did not, however, think, having regard to the amount of opposition that the Public Safety Bill received the previous day on the second reading stage, that it would be reasonable to ask that House to deal with it that day. He understood certain members of the House proposed to put down amendments to it, and he thought that it would be to the advantage of the Minister to see these, so that he might not be taken by surprise.

The Minister for Home Affairs intimated that he would inform the President that the Courts of Justice Bill was being taken now.

The Chairman said that if the President came in he might induce the House to go on with the Public Safety Bill. He only desired to tell him the position.

Senator O'Farrell said that he was about to object to the bill when the Minister intervened. The bill was a very important one, as it affected the people. It was introduced on the 11th December, and it reached that House on the 23rd of January, and the Minister sought to have it passed on the 24th. Their own Standing Orders provided—"Amendments to bills shall not be handed in later than 11 o'clock on the day preceding that on which it shall be discussed." They had only given the bill a second reading, and no attempt had been made to comply with Standing Orders. To suggest that right away they should proceed to discuss it in Committee was absolutely unreasonable. He was afraid that it was another case of taking it for granted on the part of Ministers so far as that House was concerned. He objected to the bill being discussed that day.

The Chairman said that he understood the bill should come into operation on February 3rd.

The Minister for Home Affairs—On the 1st February.

The Chairman said that if it was to come into operation on February 1st it did not leave much time for the House to discuss it, and perhaps, under the circumstances, Senator O'Farrell would agree to the Committee stage to-day—which was perhaps a little unreasonable, and the House had reason to complain—but in view of the intention to bring the Act into force on the 1st February the Senators might agree to that course. Recognising the importance of the bill they would not be going much out of their way if they agreed to take it first thing in Committee to-day, and if they agreed he would arrange accordingly. He would take any amendment moved to the bill to-day subject to being in order.

The House agreed with the suggestion of the Chairman, and the Committee Stage of the Public Safety Bill will be taken at the sitting of the House to-day.

LAW OFFICERS' POSITION.

The Courts of Justice Bill Committee stage was then taken.

Mr. Guinness asked if it would be possible for the Attorney-General to take charge of the bill in the Senate. He understood that only a Minister could do so.

The Chairman said that he had considered this matter, and was perfectly certain that the House would be very glad to welcome the presence of the Attorney-General, who would be of very great assistance of them, but it seemed that there was some constitutional reason which prevented him from being described as a Minister. He did not know that they had any power under the Constitution or under the Standing Orders to give the right of audience to the Attorney-General or anyone else, and he would be glad if the Attorney-General would assume that he was, in fact, and in law, a Minister, and then they would gladly welcome him. Perhaps if the Attorney-General had an opportunity of having a word with the President, and they satisfied themselves that he was entitled to attend, they would gladly welcome him..

President Cosgrave, who was present, made no comment, although more or less invited by the Chairman to claim the Attorney-General as virtually a Minister. The House, therefore, passed to the next business, the Attorney-General remaining without the Bar. A few minutes later the Chairman remarked

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FREE STATE AIR PILOT KILLED.

800 FEET FALL AT BALDONNELL.

Lieutenant R. T. Nevin, of the Free State Air Service, died in St. Brian's Hospital, Dublin, yesterday, from injuires which he received on Wednesday morning in an aeroplane accident at Baldonnell Aerodrome.

Lieutenant Nevin was flying a Bristol Fighter at an altitude of about 800 feet when the machine suddenly fell to the ground in a spinning nose dive on the Lucan side of the aerodrome. An ambulance was immediately sent out, and took the injured man to the hospital. He was quite conscious and able to speak when he was removed, but his injuries were so serious that there never was any hope of his recovery.

The deceased man, who was 22 years of age, gained his pilot's certificate only last month. He was a native of Loughrea, Co. Galway.

This is the second fatal accident which has occurred since the formation of the Free State Air Force. The first was at Fermoy last year, when Lieutenant M'Donagh lost his life.

MOTORING IN AMERICA.

EVERY MAN HIS OWN CAR-OWNER.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, January 24.

The average American no longer has a "Sunday suit of clothes," but he owns an automobile, or is buying one on the instalment plan, according to a nation-wide survey made by the National Association of Retail Clothiers.

People do not seem to care much about clothing any more, according to results of the survey, and one State is about as bad as another in that respect. New York, Texas, and Iowa seem to have become the most careless about their appearance, judging from the inquiry just made.

A large store in one New York State district put on a campaign which in other years had produced sales of 150 suits and overcoats, but the result this year was the sale of seventeen suits and overcoats. Across the street, on the same day, twenty-five automobiles were sold.

MR. JAMES LARKIN AND GERMANY.

IRISH TOBACCO WORKERS.

Mr. James Larkin has published in the current issue of the *Irish Worker*, of which he is editor, an article headed—"I am not leaving the country." At a public meeting, in the Mansion House, Dublin, last night, however, he declared that the report that he had applied for a passport was substantially correct, and that he is to go to Germany.

He then went on to say that the statement which was made this week in the Chancery Division, that he was leaving Dublin was "half the truth, and half a lie." "Why," he observed with a smile, "men leave for Germany every day, and return."

But how, Mr. Larkin asked, did Mr. Maguire find out that he intended to visit Germany. Nobody knew that he had applied for a passport for himself and his son except the officials of the Government. He had visited the Minister of Industry and Commerce in his offices, and later had called to the Castle to make application. How was it that "Senator" Foran and Alderman O'Brien knew that he was endeavouring to get a passport

After further observations, during which he attacked the Irish Press, British firms and unions in Ireland, and shop stewards, Mr. Larkin explained why he wished to go to Germany. It was "to try and get more work into the port. He also desired to do things, of which he could not speak at the moment, in the interest of the Irish Transport and General Workers Union.

When in America, Mr. Larkin proceeded, he had not applied to the British for a passport, because he knew he would not get it. He had not yet got a passport to Germany, but it was with confidence that he applied for one, as he supposed that by this time people thought that he was "half a decent fellow."

In the course of his address, Mr. Larkin claimed that Dublin workers should be given all the work in Dublin. He went on to say that, although hundreds of workers connected with the Irish tobacco industry were unemployed, Messrs. Wills, the English firm, had declined to employ in their Dublin factory any members of the Transport Union, any former employés of well-known Irish tobacco company, or any woman over 26 years of age.

On Mr. Larkin's motion, a resolution of sympathy was passed with the workers in Russia on the death of Lenin. The resolution also expressed sympathy with Lenin's widow.

NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE.

COURT OF INQUIRY'S AWARD.

The British Ministry of Health last night issued the following award of the Court of Inquiry on the question of the remuneration of National Health Insurance practitioners. It contains the following:—

"We, the undersigned, being the Court of Inquiry appointed by a minute of the Minister of Health and the Secretary for Scotland, dated the 12th September, 1923, have inquired into the matter in such minute, and hereby report that the amount of the capitation fee insured person per annum, on the basis of which the Central Practitioners' Fund, under Article 19 of the National Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) Regulations (1924) should be calculated, as from the 1st January, 1924, so as to effect adequate remuneration for the time and service to be given by general practitioners under the conditions set out in those regulations, in connection with the medical attendance and treatment of insured persons, due regard being had to the service in fact rendered under the regulations hitherto in force, such capitation fee not to include any payment in respect of the supply of drugs and appliances, nor any payments to meet the special conditions of practice in rural and semi-rural areas, is nine shillings.

"In the course of the inquiry it was stated on behalf of the Minister of Health and the Secretary for Scotland and on behalf of the British Medical Association, that our finding was only intended to be binding for the year from the 1st January, 1924, to the 31st December, 1924, but that both parties desired the court to make a recommendation covering such longer period as we should think fit. We, therefore, recommend that the capitation fee of nine shillings, so found by us, should remain in force for a period of three years from the 31st December, 1924."

ARMED RAIDERS PUT TO FLIGHT.

Three armed men at 10.45 last night entered the shop of Mr. D. Mordaunt, 33 St. Alban's road, South Circular road, Dublin, and, producing revolvers, covered Mr. Mordaunt and a Mr. Scott, the only people on the premises. Mr. Mordaunt seized a bacon knife, and, attracted by the noise, his dogs rushed to his assistance, with the result that the raiders ran away, one of them discharging his revolver as he left the house.

AMERICAN FUNDS COMMISSION.

The American Commission which has been appointed to take evidence in this country in connection with funds in the United States, which are claimed by the Free State and the Republican Party in Ireland, sat yesterday at Arbour Hill Military Barracks, Dublin, where Messrs. de Valera and Austin Stack are confined. There were present:—Dr. Hathaway, American Consul in Dublin; Mr. W. Cannon, American counsel for the Free State, and Mr. Byrne, barrister-at-law, who also represents the Free State.

Mr. de Valera was not represented by counsel, and the Commission, which sat for a short time, adjourned until Tuesday next at the same place.

RAIL STRIKE DEADLOCK.

NO SIGN OF A SETTLEMENT.

BETTER SERVICES.

ROSSLARE-FISHGUARD ROUTE RE-OPENED.

INDUSTRIES AFFECTED

BY OUR LABOUR CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Thursday.

THERE was a reversion to a state of deadlock in the railway strike situation this afternoon. The general managers formulated restrictive conditions for acceptance by the Union Executive to govern the scope of discussion at a joint meeting.

Consequently the Executive decided that no good purpose could be served by a meeting so restricted, and announced that the strike must go on.

After this decision had been considered by the managers, it was stated by a railway official that if the managers departed from the position they had taken up, the whole structure on which the conciliation machinery had been built up would crumble.

Shortly after this declaration it was stated that the Cabinet had requested the Minister of Labour to present a report on the strike situation, and that Mr. Shaw, with Miss Bondfield, the Parliamentary Secretary, were engaged on a preliminary inquiry.

Apart from any action that may follow on this inquiry and report, it seems likely that the strike will drift on into next week. If, however, it is decided that the time is ripe for Government intervention, the parties will probably be summoned without delay to the Ministry of Labour.

It is estimated that £6,000 to £8,000 a day is being expended in strike pay by the men's union, the members receiving 4s. per day, and 2s. for each child. It is thought that the union may make a levy on its members who are still working on the Irish railways, the London underground and tubes, and one or two very small ungrouped railways.

The Rosslare to Fishguard express service, which was suspended at the outbreak of the strike, was resumed yesterday.

Industries in all parts of Great Britain are feeling the effects of the strike, and many mines have been closed or put on short time owing to the lack of railway waggons.

MORE TRAINS.

RAILWAY SERVICES IMPROVING.

It was reported at the railway managers' offices yesterday that there was a general improvement in the train services on all lines, especially in the country districts. Extra goods trains were being run, and general merchandise being transported in addition to vital food supplies.

The London and North-Eastern Railway Company state that trains are being run to the time-tables, except in the London suburban areas, where the services remain erratic. More coal is being brought to London. Reports from Scotland show that all necessary passenger services are being run, and that a large number of goods trains have been worked.

MANCHESTER.—Only seventy engine drivers and firemen are working.

The Great Western Railway are running seven additional trains.

EXETER.—Additional trains were run yesterday.

SOUTH WALES.—Some slight improvement has been effected in the mineral traffic. Half the collieries are idle, and the employment of iron, steel and tinplate workers remains seriously affected.

HULL.—N.U.R. members who were on strike are returning to work.

DUBLIN CATTLE MARKET.

PRICES UNAFFECTED.

Contrary to expectation, trade for cattle in the Dublin market yesterday was remarkably brisk, late rates being obtained without difficulty. Consignors had evidently been warned against forwarding too many stock in view of the British railway strike and its probable reaction upon the cattle trade. As a result supplies showed a falling off compared with last week's market. The effect was surprising, and certainly gratified those who had animals on offer. With a brisk demand, an early clearance was effected. Extensive purchases were made by cross-Channel buyers, who apparently expected little difficulty in getting their animals home.

On making inquiries, an *Irish Times* representative learned that no fewer than 2,000 cattle and 1,500 sheep and pigs were shipped by four vessels of the British and Irish Steam Packet Company. Two of these steamers sailed for Manchester, and one for Preston with live stock and general cargo, while an express boat left the North Wall for Liverpool with passengers, live stock and general cargo. As a rule, five steamers are despatched by this company on market days from Dublin.

No difficulty has been experienced in the delivery of live stock and goods at all stations on the old London and Yorkshire Railway, and live stock and foodstuffs are being accepted for most stations on the London, Midland and Scottish system. This company despatched about 600 cattle and a large number of other animals for distribution over their system.

For Heysham yesterday the Burns-Laird Company sent one boat from the North Wall with 400 cattle. Their Glasgow boat was late in arriving with a heavy cargo, and was not ready for despatch last night. It will sail to-night.

On the whole, the railway strike has not affected the cattle trade to any great extent, but late rates would not have been maintained if it had not been for the short supply.

THE KINGSTOWN ROUTE.

There was nothing to report on Carlisle Pier yesterday, except increased traffic. The morning mail boat arrived an hour late, with 100 passengers and the usual quantity of mails. The evening boat had only 45 passengers, but brought 650 packets of parcels post. Between 160 and 170 passengers left last night by the Cambria for Holyhead. She carried a large mail.

BELFAST COAL SUPPLIES.

A prolongation of the rail strike will affect the Belfast coal supplies. Athough there is no cause for immediate alarm, the demand for domestic coal is becoming more insistent, and stocks in hand, which are somewhat low, are being rapidly depleted. There is a good supply of coal at the gas works, and also at the electricity station.

Mr. James Pepper, manager and secretary London, Midland and Scottish (Northern Counties Committee) announces an alteration in the train service linking up with the Larne-Stranraer steamer, commencing to-day. Owing to the reduced train service in Great Britain the boat train will leave Belfast at 5.40 p.m., and the steamer will sail at 6.40 p.m.

In this connection, Mr. T. D. MacDowell, Postmaster-Surveyor, Belfast, has issued an important notice. It is to the effect that the change in the time of departure of the boat train will necessitate an earlier despatch of the mails for this route. Therefore, the latest hour of posting at the head office will be 4.50 p.m for ordinary letters, and 5.15 p.m. for letters bearing a late fee.

SAILOR RUNS AMOK.

A Reuter Vancouver message says:—The chief officer and one member of the crew of the Spanish steamer, Pilas de Larieta, which is in port here, were killed and five others wounded when a sailor ran amok on board, brandishing a knife and an axe. The man was subsequently fatally shot by the police.

RAILWAY STRIKE IN DERRY.

AN OBJECTION TO NON-UNION LABOUR.

A serious situation has been caused in Derry by a strike of shunters and checkers at the goods department of the Great Northern Railway.

The trouble arose following a combination of the National Union of Railwaymen and the Transport and General Workers' Union, who have determined not to handle goods carried by non-union labour.

On Wednesday consignments carried by non-union men were brought to the Great Northern Railway, but were refused.

Mr. Lavery, the agent, warned the workers that they would be suspended if they continued to refuse traffic.

Yesterday some furniture was brought to the goods station by a youth who is not a member of the Union. The checkers refused to handle it, whereupon two of them, named Houston and McLaughlin, were dismissed.

As a protest thirty-four other workers in the goods department came out, thus stopping all goods traffic.

The men held a meeting last night and decided to continue the strike.

THE LOST DIXMUDE.

AIRSHIP STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Thursday.

Colonel Girod, who is investigating the loss of the dirigible Dixmude, has ascertained that the airship was struck by lightning on December 21 at 2 a.m. while travelling at an altitude of 6,000 feet.

He further concludes that Lieutenant Du Plessis de Grenedan, the commander, maintained wireless communication with the French Naval Service until fifteen minutes before the airship was struck by lightning, sending a final message and taking the radio antennae inside for fear they would attract lightning.

The discovery of the Dixmude's half-burned flag proves that the airship caught fire forward and that the flames travelled towards the rear, says Colonel Girod. This would account for the fact that the body of the commander was not burned, for he would have been occupying the front cabin.

AMERICAN ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE.

OFFICIAL ON TRIAL.

NEW YORK, Thursday.

The trial of Mr. William H. Anderson, described as the New York State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, on a charge of forgery in the third degree was begun here to-day.

The accused, who, it was alleged, altered the financial records of the League, took the witness stand in his own defence.

Under cross-examination, Anderson stated that a "mysterious benefactor" named John T. King, out of goodness of heart, loaned him in small sums covering a period of a year over $20,000, which he in turn loaned to the League. The witness said that he had not seen King since ..ing's benefactions to him were made in 1912.

An attempt by the prosecuting attorney and the Court to learn for what services King gave Anderson the money failed. Anderson revealed that the total contributions of Messrs. Rockefeller, senior and junior, to the League had approximated $75,000 yearly until they were discontinued because the Rockefellers learned that solicitors received commission on all collections.—(Reuter.)

RUMANIA AND A FRENCH LOAN.

REPORTED CANCELLATION.

PARIS, Thursday.

It is asserted in well-informed quarters that the Rumanian Government has now decided to cancel its request to France for a loan of one hundred million francs. The plan for the loan was already under consideration by the Senate, which some weeks ago gave its approval in principle to similar loans to Poland and Yugo-Slavia.—(Reuter.)

DUBLIN FEIS CEOIL.

POINTS IN THIS YEAR'S SYLLABUS.

The syllabus of the twenty-eighth Feis Ceoil (Irish Musical Festival) competitions to be held in Dublin during the week beginning May 12 next has been issued. The competitions—vocal and instrumental—are arranged on the same lines as heretofore, and the usual cups and special prizes will be offered. A new cup has been presented for advanced organ playing by Mr. Desmond Fitzgerald. There is also a new competition for composers. There will be no band competitions at this year's Feis, as the Committee is offering prizes for these at the Tailteann Games competitions.

A competition that is likely to arouse much interest is for the best performance of the quintet from "Die Meistersingers" by a mixed vocal quartet. The Ladies' Committee offers a prize of £10 for this item.

The adjudicators will be:—Choral Singing, Vocal Ensemble, Orchestral and Organ—Mr. Percy Hull; Solo Singing—Mr. Daniel Price and Miss Denne Parker; String, Harps, Chamber Music, and Wind Instruments—Mr. W. H. Reed; Piano—Mr. Lloyd Powell; Unpublished Irish Airs, Irish Pipes, and Fiddles—Mr. Arthur Darley and Professor R. O'Dwyer; Irish Language—Mr. E. O'Neill.

The syllabus is published by the Feis Ceoil Association, 37 Molesworth street, Dublin, from which entry forms can be obtained. The last day for receiving entries at ordinary fees is April 1; after that date and up to April 15 entries will be received only on payment of double fees.

NEED FOR CONCERT HALL.

The report of the Executive Committee for 1922-1923, which is included in the syllabus, states:—"The want of suitable accommodation for the competitions was more than ever felt owing to the large number of candidates who entered and competed. The Committee proposed at a recent meeting that £500 from the Feis Ceoil funds be given to any responsible body which, within twelve months, includes in any building commenced within that period a portion suitable for the purposes of the Feis Ceoil and music generally, and that this resolution be submitted for approval to the general meeting of members in October."

Entries last year numbered 811, as against 743 in 1922. The lowest number was 310, in 1900.

INDUCEMENT TO CHOIRS.

The report also remarks that it is much to be regretted that so few choirs entered. In this connection, all choirs entered for this year's competitions are offered a bonus for obtaining 75 per cent. of the marks, whether a prize is won or not.

The Association's balance sheet shows a profit of £173 12s. 11d.

WILL OF MAJOR C. R. W. TOTTENHAM.

Major Charles Robert Worsley Tottenham, late 3rd Battalion Welsh Fusiliers, of Plas Berwyn, Llangollen, Denbigh, and Woodstock, Newtownmountkennedy, Co. Wicklow, High Sheriff for Wicklow in 1888, and a magistrate for Denbighshire and Merioneth, who died on October 31st, has left unsettled estate of the value of £21,229 3s. 11d. The will and codicil are proved by John Ernle Money, of 25 Abingdon st., Westminster, S.W. The testator gives £300 to his wife, and all his lands and premises are to follow the trusts of the settled family estates in Wales and Ireland. The residue of the property, including £5,700 charged on his Welsh estates, he leaves to his children, other than the one who comes into possession of the settled property.

TO-DAY'S LONDON PAPERS.

THE RAILWAY STRIKE.

PERSISTENCE IN ERROR.

The Times observes in a leading article:—The railway strike is to continue. The Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen still declines to accept the findings of the National Wages Board. The letter which was sent with such despatch to the railway managers on Tuesday night did not really possess its face value. To the public, which likes dealings to be above board, it was a delusion, and raised hopes of a settlement which had no foundation, except in a tactical move as futile as it was foolish. The issue in the strike is not, as Mr. Bromley continues to assert, whether the arbitration of the National Wages Board is compulsory, in which case the findings would be obligatory and without challenge. The true issue is whether, when the machinery of arbitration—in the most perfect form known to industry—has been employed, and its findings promulgated, one party shall be entitled to demand of another, with the threat of a strike, that the findings shall be set aside and the case re-heard. That is the ground upon which the Associated Society has chosen to fight. Arbitration and reason have played their part. Is something more to be won by force?

It is true that the arbitration of the National Wages Board is not compulsory. When the machinery which the Associated Society is doing its best to destroy was established every vestige of compulsion was eliminated. Acceptance of the findings is voluntary. But this fact does not in the smallest degree detract from the authority of the conclusions at which the Board arrives. On the contrary, it enhances rather than diminishes their value; for a tribunal whose judgments rest on moral sanctions alone will not be the less but rather the more scrupulous to weigh each separate matter justly.

The disturbance to the national life and the prejudice to the public interests is the less tolerable when it is shown to arise not wholly from a sense of positive wrongs or disregarded claims, but in part, at least, from the contentions of two rival unions, adds *The Times*, which describes the quarrel as an involved one, which is being prosecuted on the one side with indifference alike to the welfare of the country, the fortunes of the Government which political Labour has just formed, and the opinion of fellow trade unionists. It will arouse an increasing indignation in the minds of those, and they are the whole people of the country, who innocently suffer the injurious consequences.

FRENCH FISCAL MEASURES.

M. POINCARE'S POSITION.

The position in which M. Poincaré now finds himself is not without danger (telegraphed *The Times* Correspondent in Paris last night). Though the Bloc National is prepared to vote for the Government's fiscal measures, its members realise that they are rendering themselves unpopular on the eve of the elections, and they are, naturally, asking that any ambiguity in M. Poincare's political attitude should disappear. They feel that, if they are to support measures that may be unpopular, they should at least be compensated by a declaration that M. Poincaré will support them at the elections. It is pointed out that they wanted assurances of this kind in return for their general support of the Ruhr policy, but that M. Poincaré coldly intimated that they should vote for the occupation purely from patriotic motives, without extracting promises or making bargains.

The *Intransigeant* this evening says that as the elections are approaching and as some of the Government proposals are of doubtful value, the same answer will not do. The Prime Minister's "obstinacy," as the newspaper calls it, is declared to be incomprehensible. Does he not see the hesitation of his friends? Does he not know that in the lobbies the name of M. Barthou is mentioned as his successor? In the opinion of some old Parliamentary hands M. Poincaré is tired of domestic difficulties and is disposed to resign himself to an early withdrawal.

PANEL DOCTORS' FEES.

COURT OF INQUIRY'S AWARD.

There are several aspects of the award announced yesterday by the Court of Inquiry into the remuneration of panel doctors which will give general satisfaction, remarks *The Times* editorially. The actual amount of the award—9s. *per* insured person *per annum*—disposes at once of the idea that in refusing Sir William Joynson Hicks's first offer of 8s. 6d. for three years or 8s. for five years, the doctors were exhibiting a greedy spirit. It is clear that, on the contrary, they were entering a protest against a scale of payment which rendered efficient service difficult or impossible. That action was their clear duty to the public, as well as to themselves. Again, the evidence given at the inquiry bore out in full degree the contention that insured persons had obtained, and were obtaining, a satisfactory standard of treatment. This point should be emphasised, since a great deal of uninstructed criticism has been forthcoming in recent months from members of approved societies and others. Finally, the award represents a compromise between the figure suggested by the doctors—9s. 6d.—and that offered in the last issue by the Minister of Health—namely, 8s. 6d. It is none the worse on that account, for compromise in the present instance, at any rate, is likely to prove agreeable to both parties.

DEATH OF VERY REV. S. DILL.

The Times announces the death of the Very Rev. S. Marcus Dill, D.D., ex-Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, which occurred in Edinburgh on Wednesday at the age of 80. He was the son of Professor R. F. Dill, of Belfast, and his early ministry was spent in Ulster.

RAID ON RECTORY.

THREE MONTHS' HARD LABOUR FOR COUNTY MEATH MAN.

At Trim District Court yesterday, John Cullen was sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour for participating in a raid on Athboy Rectory on the 27th December last.

A Civic Guard sergeant stated that he arrested the accused as being a member of a band of men he encountered near the rectory. There were four men in all, and they had a motor car, one of the back tyres of which was punctured. The state of the accused's hands when he was arrested indicated that he had been endeavouring to repair the tyre. The other men escaped through the fields.

The Rev. Mr. Whyte, Rector of Athboy, deposed to a number of men coming to the rectory on the date in question, and demanding money. They declared that they would force an entrance unless they were admitted quietly. The witness hurried to the Civic Guard barrack, where he reported the matter.

Mrs. Whyte deposed that the raiders assembled in the drawingroom and demanded petrol and cash.

For the defence it was contended that the accused was not a member of the raiding party, but was coming from a dance when he fell in with the gang, by whom he was compelled to assist in putting the motor car in order.

SUGAR-BEET CULTIVATION IN SCOTLAND.

In an experiment by the College of Science to test the growing of sugar-beet as a profitable crop in the North of Scotland, which was carried out on a farm near Aberdeen, the analysis for sugar content varied from 17.2 per cent. to 18.6 per cent. Weights ranged from 10 tons 2 cwts. per acre to 14 tons 4 cwts. for unwashed beet.

The C.P.R. liner Marloch will take a party of nearly 300 men and women from the Hebrides to Canada in April, calling at Stornoway on the 26th of that month.

POSTS FOR 2 MORE LABOUR MEN.

PREMIER STARTS WORK AT 9 A.M.

SINGAPORE NAVAL BASE TO BE ABANDONED.

ANOTHER PEERAGE?

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Thursday.

Beyond two further Ministerial appointments—Mr. H. Gosling to be Minister of Transport and Mr. Frank Hodges, M.P., to be Civil Lord of the Admiralty—there is little news of political importance to record.

Outwardly, Whitehall never presented a more placid appearance to the general public than it did to-day, when its new political chiefs, seniors and juniors, entered the departments. The new Ministers were early on the scene, so early, indeed, that many of them are credited with a fund of enthusiasm unusual even in a newly-fledged Private Secretary.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald entered the Foreign Office shortly after nine o'clock in the morning, and spent most of the day there. Most of his colleagues in the Ministry arrived at their departments about 10 o'clock. By noon every Minister, senior and junior, was at his administrative post.

During the next few days they will all be engaged in the same task—that of surveying at close quarters that part of the administrative machine which has been entrusted to their charge.

It is expected that Mr. Arthur Ponsonby, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, will go to the House of Lords, with Sir Sydney Olivier, Brigadier-General Thomson, and Mr. Sydney Arnold. Mr. Ponsonby's elevation to the Peerage will create a Parliamentary vacancy in the Brightside Division of Sheffield.

According to inspired statements, it seems probable that the Labour Government will recognise the Russian Government at an early date, and that it will drop the scheme announced in the Naval Estimates of 1923 for the building of a naval base at Singapore.

MR. R. MACDONALD AND INDIA.

REVOLUTIONARY POLICY CONDEMNED.

Through the courtesy of Mr. St. Nihal Singh, a Special Correspondent of the *Hindu* and other newspapers, who is at present on a special newspaper mission to Ireland, the *Irish Times* is able to print the following statement sent to him by Mr. Ramsay Macdonald on the eve of his coming into office:—

"I watch, sometimes with no little anxiety, the progress of affairs in India. During all my political life I have anchored myself firmly upon the conviction that, if progress is to be well rooted, it can only be carried on by what is called political or constitutional ways. We have seen, in our own generation, all sorts of revolutionary movements which seemed to be successful, and which have broken contacts with the past; but in the end, after much physical suffering and the creation of evil tempers and a vicious spirit, they have had to return to pick up the contacts that had been broken, and to apply the very principles they had rejected.

"I can see no hope in India, if it becomes the arena of a struggle between constitutionalism and revolution. No party in Great Britain will be cowed by threats of force or by policies designed to bring government to a stand-still. And if any sections in the community are under the delusion that that is not so, events will very speedily disappoint them. I would urge upon all the best friends of India to come nearer to us, rather than to stand apart from us: to get our reason and good-will.

"I deplore the evidence of a backward spirit in some sections here. And let no one misread causes and effects. When an appeal is made to revolutionary methods, whether these methods are active forces or passive forces, a reaction towards the opposite extreme is bound to come, and men and parties of most sincere good-will are hustled off the stage, whilst the two forms of reaction—that of Right and that of Left—kick and tear and sweat against each other, until the failure of both has been demonstrated. I know that the approach to the good-will should be mutual; my appeal is, therefore, not only to India, but to the British constituencies as well."

THE BERLIN EMBASSY.

BY OUR DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Thursday.

Mr. H. W. Massingham, former editor of the *Nation*, gave an emphatic denial to-night to the statements that had been published to the effect that Mr Macdonald had invited him to become Ambassador at Berlin.

AN IRISH SCOTLAND.

CLERGYMAN'S FORECAST.

If present conditions continue within fifty years the working-class population in industrial Scotland will be predominantly Irish, said the Rev. Duncan Cameron at a meeting on Wednesday of the Society for Constructive Birth Control and Racial Progress at Essex Hall, London, W.C.

At the present time, he said, there were between 600,000 and 700,000 Irish people in the industrial belt of Scotland, chiefly in the Valley of the Clyde, while the native population showed a tendency to decrease. The Irish in Scotland, he said, provided from one-third to one-half of the prison population, dwelt in the slums, and furnished 61 per cent. of the recipients of the dole in Glasgow. Being ignorant and intensely emotional, they could be played upon by revolutionary rhetoric, and were largely responsible for the election of the Socialist representatives for the Clyde Valley.

A TAX ON DANCERS.

BERLIN'S NEW MOVE TO FEED THE POOR.

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FREE STATE PARLIAMENT.

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that the House was entitled to invite the Attorney-General within the Bar, and at his suggestion Mr. Kennedy took a seat beside President Cosgrave.

AGE OF RETIREMENT.

Mr. S. L. Brown, K.C., moved an amendment to Section 12, which says:—"The age of retirement of all judges of the High Court and the Supreme Court shall be 70 years, but the Executive Council may, after consultation with the Chief Justice and the Attorney-General, extend the age of retirement in the case of any judge to 75 years." The amendment was to alter the general age of retirement to 75, and at the same time Mr. Brown spoke to a further amendment in his name to delete the words giving the Executive Council an option to extend.

Mr. Brown said that the section as it stood would put a judge in the most invidious position when he arrived at the age of 69. After that age he would be at the mercy of the Government, and in a position in which no judicial person should be put. He did not suppose that the position would affect the mind of the judge himself, but if, during the period of option, he happened to give a decision in favour of the Government, people outside would say that he had done so because he wanted to be kept on. He supported the age of 75, because it was a rare experience that a healthy judge was unable to perform his service up to that age. Whatever age they fixed, the important point was that there should be no period of extension at the mercy of the Government.

Mr. O'Farrell said that he agreed with the spirit underlying the motion, but he would not support the proposition that every man should remain a judge up to the age of 75, and he thought it desirable that 70 should be the maximum limit. Judges over 70 got out of touch with modern developments, even in the law itself. They had the prejudices of an older generation.

Dr. Gogarty said that it was almost unscriptural to go beyond the age of three score and ten. (Laughter.) That was five years beyond the Civil Service age of retirement, and judges ought to be content with five years of questionable mentality. (Laughter.)

Colonel Moore supported the lower age, in the interests of promotion at the Bar.

The Right Hon. A. Jameson said that they were all aware of many distinguished judges who were very far from senile decay at the age of 70. The Government, in putting in that age, were not taking care of the public purse, because it was an expensive thing to retire a man five years earlier than was necessary and pay his successor.

Mr. John Bagwell said that he had seen a good deal of the operation of age limits, and had been struck by the waste of good experience and ability which they entailed.

The Chairman said that he had the strongest sympathy and support for the suggestion, that whatever the age limit, it should be a definite one, and that there should be no power in the Executive or anybody else to prolong the period. A judge, under the section, would for five years be dependent on the discretion of the Crown whether he should be retained in the position or not. It would give ground in the public mind for suggesting that he was influenced for or against the Government according as they decided to retain him or get rid of him.

BRITISH PRACTICE.

When they came to the question, what the age of retirement should be, he wished to remind the House that, under the old British constitutional practice, under which judges up to the present held office, they held office during good behaviour, and there was at no time any power to remove a judge who had manifestly become either physically or mentally incapable, unless he was willing to recognise the fact himself, and retire. Speaking generally, almost universally, the judges had recognised the fact. A judge lived and did his work in the eyes of the public and of the profession, and no self-respecting judge, once he realised that he had become incapable of discharging his duties, had ever, in his (the Chairman's) long experience, held out against public opinion.

On the contrary, he had known some of them, most eminent judges—Chief Baron Palles was a remarkable example, and there was another example of a judge still living at well over eighty years of age, who had remained a judge until he was eighty—who were probably the most brilliant members of the Bench in their day, and up to the day they retired. There was on the Bench to-day a judge who was at least four score years, and it was certainly the impression of the profession and of his colleagues that at no time had he shown greater judicial capacity of the knowledge of the law than he had shown in recent years. If anybody thought that an eminent judge of over seventy must suffer from senility, he would recommend him to go for five minutes to the Recorder's Court in Dublin, and he would speedily find himself mistaken.

Judges were no longer entitled to hold office during good behaviour without limit, because they could be removed for incapacity. That was a wise provision in their new Constitution. It would prevent the possibility of a judge who had become, by reason of physical or mental infirmity, incapable of the proper discharge of his duties continuing in office indefinitely. It was in the power of the Oireachtas to compel him to resign his office. That was a complete safeguard.

PRESIDENT COSGRAVE.

President Cosgrave said that the only reference he could find was with regard to circuit judges. The age in that case was given as 70, and they took that to apply to the other cases. He thought that there was a growing disposition to canvass too much the ability of the Executive Council to exercise discretion in this matter. He did not think that any case had been put on substantial grounds showing the Government's inability to deal fairly and impartially and without fear or favour in such cases. He held that the time was not likely to come in this country when any persons in the position of the Executive Council would lightly discharge their duties or be influenced by anything but the best interests of the country in deciding these matters.

Mr. Brown said that nothing was further from his mind than a suggestion that the Executive Council would not act with the utmost impartiality under the section as it stood. He thought the Senate ought to accept the amendment.

The amendment was carried, and Clauses 12 and 13 were declared part of the bill.

PENSIONS.

Mr. Jameson moved the following addendum to Section 14:—

"Provided always that there may be granted, if the Executive Council think fit, to any such judge as aforesaid who vacates his office owing to permanent infirmity before having completed five years' service, a pension not exceeding one-sixth of his salary at the time he vacates his office."

He said that he thought that the Government ought to have power to give a judge one-sixth of his salary if they thought that it was right in the case of his health breaking down during the first five years. As the bill stood, the Government would be powerless, and a very great hardship might be inflicted in some case.

Mr. Bennett opposed the amendment.

Mr. Kenny said that a man's investment might go all wrong. If a man came forward to serve his country's administration in high office he should not be subjected to such risk.

Mr. Brown said that it was very unlikely that there would be more than one or two such cases. He thought that under the County Council Act the judges were given pensions during the first five years.

Mr. Farren said that he agreed that every man and woman who gave useful service, and whose health broke down should be entitled to a pension.

Mr. Cummins referred to the case of national teachers, and said there were members of that class who, after 24 or 25 years' service, had died in workhouses, or were living on the charity of their friends. He did not believe that pensions should be confined to any particular class.

A division was taken, and the amendment was carried by 16 votes for to 11 votes against.

Mr. S. L. Brown, K.C., moved Amendment 22, which dealt with the matter of costs.

The Chairman said that it occurred to him if they could pass on the following day a new standing order, inviting any member of the Government, not necessarily a Minister, to attend with regard to any bill he was interested in, it would be a very wise thing to do.

Mr. S. L. Brown, K.C., thought it would be a very convenient thing to do, especially as the amendment was very technical.

The Committee stage of the bill was then adjourned till to-day.

BROADCASTING.

The Chairman said that the only thing now before the House was Sir John Keane's motion about broadcasting.

Sir John Keane said that his object in moving the motion with regard to wireless broadcasting was to call attention to broadcasting, and try to allay the feelings of unasiness that were abroad with regard to the policy of the Government. He did not propose to go into the merits of any rival policies because he was not competent to do so. He felt, however, that the matter was not only of great importance, but dealt with a totally new condition of affairs, and it was exceedingly important that due deliberation should be exercised.

He had a feeling himself that the Government had taken the methods that had been employed in England as rather the headlines for their future plans. He did not know if that would be altogether wise; certainly the matter should be discussed, so that due consideration would be given to that very important question, and that both Houses of Parliament should exercise, and have a right to exercise, their several powers in this matter.

He should ask for an undertaking from the Government that no constructional undertaking, actual or implied, should be given by the Government in respect to any citizen or corporation without the authority of both Houses of the Oireachtas.

Mr. Haughton seconded.

The Chairman pointed out that it was really not a motion, but a discussion, and they could not take a vote on it.

President Cosgrave said that it was quite possible that Sir John Keane might have overlooked the fact that the Postmaster-General had spoken of the policy of the Government with regard to the matter. There was, he understood, a Committee sitting to examine the question of broadcasting, and he would not be in a position to express any decision on the subject until the Dail had received the report of the Committee. He was not a member of that Committee, nor was he acquainted with the circumstances. No report had been issued yet, and he had no direct or indirect knowledge of the work of the Committee except that it was examining the question very thoroughly. Its work was not yet finished.

The Right Hon. A. Jameson presumed that the report of that Committee on Broadcasting would be laid before the House.

President Cosgrave—I will bear that in mind—that the report be given to the Senate when the Committee has made its report.

Sir John Keane said that the President's reply did not altogether satisfy him, especially as it was suggested that the Minister in charge of broadcasting, being an inferior, or, rather, an outside Minister, could take action independently of the Executive Council. He knew that had been debated in the other House, and it involved a question of constitutional procedure; but on the facts as indicated it left one uneasy that it should be open to a Minister, and presumably a subordinate Minister, independent of the Executive Council, to take action on an important matter with regard to constitutional operations on behalf of the State and deliberately adopt a policy without consulting the Oireachtas.

The Chairman said that he now understood that a special committee was sitting and inquiring into the matter, appointed either by the Government or the Dail. He had received a communication from the Chairman of that Committee that it was sitting. Had he known that he was afraid he could not have given Sir John Keane permission to go on. He could not allow the discussion to go on any further.

The Senate then adjourned to 2.30 p.m. to-day.

THE DAIL.

HOUSING BILL.

PROBLEM OF MATERIAL.

President Cosgrave moved the second reading of the Housing (Building Facilities) Bill.

Mr. Johnson said that the members had received the bill on Wednesday morning, and the interval did not afford time for the proper consideration of the terms. With a view of insisting that the Standing Orders should be complied with, he had notified the Speaker that he objected to the taking of the second reading without the four days' notice required by the Standing Orders. He agreed to take the motion for second reading now if, after the President's statement, the further discussion was adjourned.

This was agreed to.

The President, in moving the second reading of the bill, said that when he introduced the measure some question arose regarding the use of Irish manufactured materials. Particular stress had been laid on the manufacture of bricks. He was given to understand that the number of bricks required for the building of the better class of house proposed would be about 17,000 per house, so that for the 3,000 houses the total number of bricks required would be somewhere in the neighbourhood of fifty millions. That was, he thought, a sufficient answer to those who had made certain representations regarding the conditions of the brickworks throughout the country. If the scheme worked, and the terms proposed in the bill were acceptable, it was on the face of it a sound proposition that brick manufacturers throughout the country should get busy, so as to have the necessary material available for the construction of those houses.

Up to the present most of the work of urban and rural authorities in providing houses for those for whom they were intended had been done. In this present bill there was a departure from the previous conditions, inasmuch as they were bringing in a different order. Every effort must be made to eliminate such charges as had been borne under the previous Acts. The Government had come to the conclusion that, apart from any culpability attaching to local authorities in providing housing accommodation, it was impossible for them to avoid certain expenses, such as the collection of rents, repairs, and other matters inseparable from administration.

BURDEN ON THE RATES.

When he was Minister for Local Government he found that in one area in which the Rural District Council had constructed fourteen hundred dwellings, the Council would have saved £12 a year if the Council had made a present of the houses to the occupiers; and, in addition, they would have saved office expenses and charges for other official services.

He had made reference also to the fact that local authorities were occasionally subjected to pressure for the inclusion in the houses of certain items, the expense of which, he thought, at present they were not able to bear.

In Dublin representations in respect of the provision of one class of material as against another would, if acceded to, mean an additional rent of 2s. a week for the houses. If they started a scheme of housing on the terms that they wanted to have low rents they could not achieve that purpose if any additional expense were incurred in providing these houses. In comparing with others the sums to be allowed in respect of the building of three, four, and five-roomed houses, he thought that they were making a generous subsidy.

In respect of the proposal to levy only 5 per cent. of the rates on those houses for a number of years it would be found that they were associating the local authorities with the provision of the houses.

There might be a difficulty in the matter of providing building materials. The Government had no desire to enter into competition with, or to interfere with, the ordinary business transactions of the country; but they could not shut their eyes to the fact that the cost of building materials was a considerable item in the building of those houses, and if, on examination, it was found that the charges made for these materials were excessive and prohibitive it would be for the Minister to intervene and to correct any tendencies of that description.

The housing business was an important and complex one. He thought that it was a case in which various attempts would be made year after year to see how far improvement might be made to get all sections of the community to contribute towards the solution of this problem. There was no use in saying that the sum provided by the Government for the building of the houses was not sufficient. He thought that, having regard to the amount involved in each case, the subsidy was a considerable sum, and that it was a real earnest of the Government's desire to deal with the problem.

Even if the national balance sheet bore a better aspect than it did at present he did not think it would be wise to give a heavier subsidy than was offered in this case. It would make too great a difference between the value on the one hand and the payments on the other.

STANDARDISATION.

It may be that in the course of the discussions on the bill reference may be made to the suggested standardising of building materials. At any rate a start should be made, and this was an opportune time to make it. They had been told that they had not utilised private enterprise as they might have done. But the past eighteen months or two years did not lend themselves to the serious consideration of this problem.

Mr. Mulcahy seconded the motion for second reading, and the further discussion was adjourned till to-day.

PARLIAMENT HOUSE.

GOVERNMENT AND ROYAL HOSPITAL.

The President moved the following resolution, of which he had given notice:—

"Whereas it is necessary to take immediate steps for the provision of adequate accommodation for the Oireachtas; and whereas the occupation of the premises of the Royal Dublin Society and of the National Museum, and the consequent restrictions on visitors to the latter institution, is a cause of inconvenience to the public and of loss to agricultural and scientific development: be it therefore, and it is hereby, resolved:—

"(1) That immediate steps be taken to have the buildings of the Royal Hospital, Kilmainham, made available for the temporary accommodation of the Oireachtas and the buildings at present occupied restored to their original purposes.

"(2) That a Committee of members of the Oireachtas be appointed to enquire and report to both Houses of the Oireachtas as to suitable and available sites for the permanent housing of the Oireachtas.

"(3) That the thanks of Dail Eireann be, and are hereby, voted to the Royal Dublin Society for the facilities which have been placed at the disposal of the Oireachtas by the Society.

"(4) That a message be sent to Seanad Eireann requesting that this resolution be considered by them at their earliest convenience."

The President said that it might ease the members' minds to know that the Government were putting forward this motion for a free vote of the House. The Government Whips would be withdrawn. They wanted the fruit unfettered decision of the House, so that it never could be said that any influence, direct or indirect, had been brought to bear on any member of the House in deciding this matter.

He thought it right to state from the very beginning that they were in occupation of premises which did not belong to them. They were there, in the first place, perhaps, as guests, and, in the second place, very much like squatters, because as time went on their claim to remain there would be stronger. They were very much indebted to the Royal Dublin Society for its generosity, for its courtesy and the help which it had at all times given in making their stay there as comfortable as possible.

Their occupation of the premises had to a very large extent interfered with the work of the Royal Dublin Society. Some nine months after they came there they had representations from the Royal Dublin Society to that effect, and he gave them an undertaking that he would bring the matter before the Oireachtas and have it definitely settled whether they could not decide upon acquiring some other premises which would enable them to discharge the business of the State in a proper and workmanlike manner.

A COMMITTEE'S WORK.

A Committee was appointed by the Dail and Senate last July, but it did not come to any definite conclusion. He admitted that the time allotted for the consideration of the subject was very short, but these were days when quick decisions should be arrived at, and postponing consideration of questions did not solve them.

They heard people talking about sentiment; but any sentimental regard that there might be for fixing the House of the Oireachtas in a particular place was not prejudiced by this particular motion. If they decided to take over what was known as the "Irish House of Parliament" they would not be able to enter into possession before March 1931.

What they were concerned with in the resolution was what was the best accommodation that could be provided for the Oireachtas between now and that period. The Committee mentioned several places in the report to the Dail, which might be utilised for housing the Oireachtas in the intervening period, but he did not find any reference to those places in the report.

The total available space in Leinster House was something like 32,000 square feet, and if it were decided to remain there a considerable amount of building would be essential. They had examined the Royal Hospital from that aspect, and after providing for rooms in which the Dail and Senate would meet, there was available something like 48,000 square feet. In the case of the old House of Parliament, after accommodation had been provided for the Dail and the Senate, the accommodation available would be approximately 38,000 square feet.

QUESTION OF TIME.

The time that it would take to prepare the Royal Hospital would be twelve months. Apart from the Dail and Senate Chambers there would be 95 rooms with every accommodation which would be required. There was also space for a library within the quadrangle. The total cost of the necessary alterations would be £45,000.

In the case of the Bank of Ireland, or rather the old Irish Parliament House, it had been estimated that it would cost somewhere in the neighbourhood of a million pounds.

There had been rumours that he and his friends were interested in the Royal Hospital. There was a tribe in this country known as speculators, and they had not been idle for the last few years. He did not know that a good deal of the opposition to this Kilmainham site had not been on the part of these speculators. He was not in favour of putting money into the pockets of these gentlemen. He had heard of a case where premises had been acquired for £4,000 and £3,000 had been got out of them in rent. If these premises were required as an annexe to the Houses of Parliament they would be asked to pay £20,000. He was just as anxious to clip the wings of people who were indifferent to the country's economic condition as he was to deal with those who stood in the way of the provision of cheaper houses.

HOUSING FIRST.

Proceeding, the President said that recently the Medical Officer of Health in the city had stated in an interview that the housing accommodation for the working classes in Dublin was deplorable. Owing to what had transpired during the last few years they would be faced with the reconstruction of many destroyed premises. That would call for a considerable effort on the part of the building trade. He did not think that this was an opportune time for large Government expenditure of money on providing suitable accommodation, and if it should be the intention ultimately to take the "Old House," it ought not to be necessary to indulge in any large building schemes until some inroad had been made on the housing problem.

This proposal was put forward in good faith, and on the understanding that it was a temporary arrangement, as they were not now in the position to spend huge sums of money for the housing of the first Institution in the country. They were already calling upon the people to pay the maximum taxation that they could bear. They were limiting Government expenditure in every way, and they believed that in this case provision for suitable housing for ten years could be made at a minimum expenditure, and that it would not prejudice the decision as to where the ultimate home of the Oireachtas would be.

Mr. Blythe formally seconded the motion.

AN AMENDMENT.

Mr. Darrell Figgis proposed an amendment to the effect that a special Committee, consisting of ten members of the Dail and ten members of the Senate, be appointed to report on (a) the temporary accommodation of the Oireachtas pending its permanent housing; and (b) the permanent housing of the Oireachtas.

He said that there were many effective alternative sites to the Royal Hospital, and that the matter would be better discussed by a Committee than by the Dail. There was a strong sentimental feeling that they should go to the "Old House," but there was also a strong feeling that they should not go to Kilmainham. He thought that it was very desirable that the Parliament of the Free State should be right in the centre of the capital.

Captain Redmond, in seconding the amendment, said that he thought it would be undesirable to take such an important decision as was involved on the present occasion without giving the matter the utmost deliberation and consideration.

Professor Thrift said that there was no doubt that their occupation of Leinster House most seriously interfered with many branches of the work of the Royal Dublin Society. Be was, however, in favour of threshing the whole question out thoroughly. While he thought that they ought to make available for the owners the premises of the Royal Dublin Society, it seemed to him a reasonable course for a committee to consider the matter thoroughly again and report to the House.

The original Committee had not got a reasonable chance or opportunity of having a full or adequate discussion on the question, and he suggested that they should be given such an opportunity now.

POSTPONEMENT PROPOSED.

Mr. Blythe suggested that the whole question should be adjourned for one week to give members an opportunity of inspecting Kilmainham, and forming their own conclusions about the premises there. Another committee would not, he thought, be able to come to an agreed or unanimous decision.

Mr. T. O'Connell, in supporting the amendment, said that the suggestion of the Minister virtually was: "See Kilmainham and vote." (Laughter.) What the House wanted was facts regarding other premises.

Mr. Peter Hughes urged the House to accept the suggestion of the Minister of Finance.

Mr. Gorey said that if Kilmainham were the best alternative to Leinster House he would be prepared to accept it, but he would have to be convinced that it was the best alternative. If they were going to see Kilmainham let there be an "appointed day" for that purpose. What was the objection to the appointment of a Committee? Two of the reasons why the previous Committee had not made a report were: (1) That the time was too short; and (2) that the majority of members on that Committee did not attend the meetings. His party agreed that the best thanks of the Dail should be tendered to the Royal Dublin Society. It was his opinion that the Committee offered the only fair and reasonable means of exploring every avenue.

LEINSTER LAWN.

Mr. John Good said that one plan which occurred to him was that temporary accommodation might be provided at Leinster Lawn. That was against the suggestion that the only alternatives before them were Kilmainham and College Green. Before they came to any decision they should have all possible schemes before them, and for that reason he was obliged to support the amendment.

The House finally agreed to the appointment of a Joint Committee, consisting of five members of the Senate and five members of the Dail, to consider the question, and to present their report to the Dail not later than six weeks from the date of their first meeting.

DISTRESS IN DONEGAL.

Mr. White (Tyrconnell), on the motion for the adjournment of the House, called attention to the distress which, he said, existed among the population along the coast of Donegal. The people, he said, had no potatoes, and their turf was so bad that they suffered from want of fuel. He wanted to hear what the Government proposed to do to relieve their conditions. The people undoubtedly required assistance to keep them from the semi-famine which threatened them, and which, he feared, would be complete famine before long.

He was not an advocate of charitable doles, which, in his opinion, were demoralising, but what he suggested was that money should be provided for reproductive employment, such as reclamation works, drainage, the making and repairing of roads. There was along the coast-line great distress amongst the people, who were unable to earn their livelihood, as they used to do, by fishing. Foreign trawlers came along and stole the fish which these people ought to have. He feared that the Minister for Fisheries had not taken the steps that he ought to have taken for the past six months. They felt that they had received very little return for the money that the Department of Fisheries was costing them.

Mr. P. McFadden supported the case made by his colleague.

A BIG QUESTION.

Mr. Burke, Minister for Local Government, said that the question had been before his Department for some time. There were conflicting reports about it, and he had sent an inspector into the district to inquire into the conditions existing there, and to report to him. Until he had received that report he was not in a position to deal with the subject as he would like. There was distress in other parts of the country as well as in Donegal, owing to the activities of certain persons against the Government. It was part of the price which they had to pay for the excesses of civil war. Distress that was brought about by economic causes was difficult to deal with.

Another cause of the distress was the disappearance of the cottage industries, by which some of the people supported themselves. Another cause was that migratory labourers found it impossible to get work in Scotland this past year. The County Council would get their ordinary portion of the Road Fund that was allocated to them. There were several grants that had been only partially used, and when they were used he (Mr. Burke) would see what could be done. Early in 1922 there was a grant of £11,000 to the County Council for the relief of unemployment. There were also other grants which had not been expended

Mr. Johnson—Is there an unexpended balance available by the County Council?

Mr. Burke said that there was. He could not say more until he had received the report of his inspector.

A TUSSLE.

Major Myles said that the whole question of the grants had become a tussle between the County Council and the Local Government Department. Certain conditions were attached to the grant. The Local Government Department said that any money not expended on the 1st of May would be called in. He maintained that the Council's officers had received no notice that the grant should be expended before a certain date. He assured the Minister that it was not any slackness on the part of the County Council, or any want of energy in forwarding work in Donegal that caused the grant to be stopped.

Mr. F. Lynch, Minister for Fisheries, said that if there was need for relief in Donegal, it was no more pressing than it was in Mayo, Galway, Clare, or Kerry. One must realise that a good deal of the talk about distress was real "stunt."

Mr. White—No, no; as far as I am concerned.

Mr. Gorey—On a point of order, is "stunt" a Parliamentary word? (Laughter.)

Mr. Lynch said that it was alleged that the fishermen on the coast were in terrible distress. Gweedore was one of the places where it was said to exist. From that district he had a report in which it was stated that there was evidence of lack of industry in the use of valuable boats, which were fitted with costly equipment. These boats were allowed to become waterlogged, and the damage thus done necessitated costly repairs. These boats had been supplied to these people by the Department of Fisheries, and they had allowed them to go to ruin.

Mr. White—I said nothing about boats.

Mr. Lynch said that the boats were lying up, and the people who complained of the lack of fishing were the very people who were preventing the patrol boats of the Department from being effective in the prevention of poaching by foreign trawlers. They gave warning to the poachers when the patrol boat was coming along, and the reward they received was cheap coal and cheap whiskey. His Department had not inherited the fishery interests of the Congested Districts Board. He could not spend money in the same way that the Congested Districts Board did, but he was in sympathy with Deputy White in promoting anything that would be for the benefit of the people of Donegal. He believed that something wanted to be done, and that the people should get something to live on.

The House adjourned till 12 o'clock to-day.

FARMER FINED £10 FOR STARVING FOWLS.

At Kesh, Co. Fermanagh, Sessions yesterday, a farmer was fined £10, and his sister £1, for giving insufficient feed to eighteen fowls. The lightest bird weighed one and a half pounds, and the heaviest four pounds.

A CANARY ISLAND TOUR.

Winter cruises to the Canary Islands are being made by the Nelson Line steamers from the Thames every alternate Thursday. The ships touch at Boulogne and Vigo, and a week ashore at Grand Canary, with hotel accommodation, is provided for; and the whole trip can be accomplished in three weeks at a cost of £30.

NATIONAL BANK CLERKSHIPS.

Last exam., Nov., 1923. Successful from SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin:—Messrs. J. Bryan, H. P. Cullen, E. G. Curran, J. Doody, M. G. Doyle, P. A. Dunne, M. Greely, H. J. Hornsck, M. V. Johnston, M. H. McCarthy, P. J. McHale, E. J. Milliffe, J. G. Murphy, J. A. O'Callaghan, J. O'Connor. 15 of the 17 Students sent forward were successful. BEST RESULT. —(Advt.)

DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

DUBLIN.

LIVESTOCK SHIPMENT DIFFICULTIES.—The London, Midland and Scottish Railway sent only two livestock vessels to Holyhead yesterday, owing to the difficulty of despatching cattle trains to the English provinces. The British and Irish Steam Packet Company sent one ship to Manchester, one to Preston, and two to the Mersey. The Yarrow did not sail to Silloth last night, and will remain in the port until Monday; the Puma was late in reaching the Liffey from Glasgow yesterday, and will not return until to-night.

FARMERS AND RATES.—At a meeting of the Rates Committee of the County Dublin Farmers' Association yesterday, disappointment was expressed at the Government's failure to give a definite reply to the demand for a loan to meet the second moiety of the 1923-24 rate. A recommendation as to the course of action to be followed was ordered to be made to the annual general meeting of the Association to be held next Thursday.

STORM-BOUND SHIPS.—Owing to stress of weather in the Irish Channel on Wednesday night, the steamer Lonsdale, bound from Whitehaven to Rogerstown, Co. Dublin, with coal, was obliged to enter the Port of Dublin for shelter. Two other ships, the Stanley and Matge, which had sailed light for Liverpool, returned to Dublin yesterday morning owing to the heavy seas and gale met in the open Channel. All three vessels left again yesterday.

MOUNTJOY PRISONER'S DEATH.—Joseph O'Brien, an ex-soldier of the Free State Army, who on January 17 was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment for embezzlement and forging cheques at the officers' pay accounts office, died from influenza in Mountjoy Prison yesterday.

DIRECT TRADING WITH FRANCE.—The Dublin General Steam Shipping Company's steamer Finola sailed in Dublin from Havre and Boulogne yesterday with general goods. The vessel had called at Belfast.

CONNAUGHT.

ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING.—A man whose name is given as Naughton was killed at Eyrecourt, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway, on Tuesday by the accidental discharge of a gun which he was holding by the barrel in an endeavour to reach a bird which had fallen into a stream.

INCOME TAX BUT NO INCOME.—Tuam Town Commissioners refused to pay £238 income tax on the ground that they had no income and are, in fact, £1,000 in debt. The Government has notified them that the sum claimed will be deducted from the grant given for the re-building of the Town Hall and handed to the Income Tax authorities.

LEINSTER.

INTIMIDATION IN CO. WEXFORD.—Masked men, who pretended to be armed, called at the house of Mr. Mathew O'Leary, Ballyfrory, Co. Wexford, and demanded bread. When he refused, they ordered him to have some by the next time that they called.

DISTRESS IN TULLAMORE.—There is much distress in Tullamore, says our Correspondent, and it was stated at a recent meeting of the Committee of Local Poor Relief Fund that unless the public gives more financial assistance it will not be possible to meet the needs of all the cases.

MUNSTER.

CLAIMS FOR LOSS BY FIRE.—Among the claims for compensation for criminal injuries which came before Listowel Quarter Sessions was one for £5,000, made by Maurice Heffernan, shopkeeper, of Kilmorna, for a house that was destroyed by fire last June. The applicant could not suggest that anybody in the locality had any enmity against him, and admitted that an insurance company had paid him £1,741 in respect of the burning. The judge, who said that there was no suggestion of malice, dismissed the case, and said that some legislation should be passed to prevent insurance companies from receiving fire insurance premiums, and then seeking to recover the loss from the ratepayers. This was not a claim by Heffernan, but by the insurance company to recover the money that it had paid.

HUSBAND'S DILEMMA.—A man named Quin, an ex-soldier, was summoned at Clonmel for wife maintenance. He said that his wife refused to live with him in one of the new "Government houses." The magistrate ruled that there was no desertion, and he could not make an order for maintenance. Mrs. Quin became excited, and eventually had to be removed from the Court by the police.

CHARGES AGAINST SOLDIERS.—At Fermoy Quarter Sessions, Privates Patrick Cusack and Edmond Osborne, of the National Army, were committed for trial at Midleton Sessions on charges of breaking into and stealing money, tobacco and cigarettes from a shop in Ballindangan on the night of November 2 last.

RATEPAYERS OPPOSE HEAVY EXPENDITURE.—Fermoy Rural Council has rescinded a resolution by which it had been decided to proceed with a scheme for supplying water to the Johnstown and Castlehyde areas. The scheme, it was estimated, would cost £15,000, and was opposed by a large number of ratepayers from all the contributing areas.

CO. TIPPERARY LAND VALUES.—The highest bid for a farm containing 114 acres, with dwelling and out-offices, at Whitefield, between Templemore and Thurles, was £4,200, and the property was withdrawn. Our Templemore Correspondent says that six years ago the estate would have realised £12,000.

WILD FLOWERS IN JANUARY.—At a meeting of the Camera and Field Club of the Cork University College, Professor Renouf said that within a radius of a few miles of Cork no less than eighteen wild plants had been found in flower, and five in bud. This, in January, was a circumstance very much out of the ordinary.

LIMERICK HORSE SHOW.—It is intended to revive the Limerick Horse Show, which has not been held since the year 1914. The Show will be held on June 26 and 27 next. Subsidies will be granted by the County Agricultural Committee for this and the Shows at Kilmallock, Tipperary, and Newcastle West.

GRANTS FOR COW-TESTING WANTED.—County Limerick Committee of Agriculture has passed a resolution asking the Department of Agriculture to finance schemes for the encouragement of Cow-Testing Associations throughout the country.

ULSTER.

DAYLIGHT-SAVING OBJECTIONS.—Monaghan Executive of the Farmers' Union has passed a resolution calling on the Government not to apply the Daylight Saving Bill to this country, as it is injurious to farming, the mainstay of the country. One member said that, to his mind, the bill was intended to allow clerks and others in Dublin out early in the evenings to play golf, and was at the same time "injuring the only industry in the country." Other delegates thought that it was useless to protest. It was pointed out that the National Schools of the country do not observe the new time, as it was highly detrimental to the attendance at the schools and the health of the children, especially in the rural districts.

Four hundred pounds has been subscribed in Clonmel to the fund for the relief of the distress caused by the recent floods.

The death took place on Wednesday night at Swan Park, Monaghan, of Dr. James Henry, who for thirty years was dispensary medical officer of Monaghan.

The Diocesan Council of Ardfert and Aghadoe, at its meeting last Tuesday, passed a resolution placing on record an expression of the sorrow and sense of loss sustained through the death of Archdeacon John Fahy, Rector of Waterville.

The annual meeting of the St. Barnabas' Public Utility Society will be held at Bushfield House, Phillipsburgh avenue, Dublin, next Tuesday, at 8 o'clock, to elect officers for the ensuing year, declare dividends, and to transact any other necessary business.

Kinsale Rural Council have decided to reduce the water rate at Crosshaven from 4s. in the £ to 2s. in the £, on the basis of the Poor Law Valuation of the houses. This reduction was requested by a local deputation which was received by the Council.

The death of Miss Norah Colleton, of Dundrum, Co. Dublin, at the age of 18 years, has occasioned deep sorrow to a wide circle of friends and acquaintances. Miss Colleton was a talented musician and an able and popular member of the St. Louis Hockey Club, Rathmines.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

MOTOR CAR OBSTRUCTION BY-LAW.—At the Belfast Summons Court yesterday, Mr. W. H. Alexander, 111 Donegall street, was prosecuted for leaving a motor car standing in the public street longer than was necessary to set down passengers. A constable said that the motor car caused an obstruction. It was left on the street for half an hour. The defendant said that he used the car in the course of his business, and left it in the street while transacting important business in his shop. The law was impossible, and could not be enforced. The Chairman—Pay the costs of the summons. Defendant—If you fine me I will appeal so as to draw attention to the by-law, which cannot be enforced. The Chairman—Pay the costs, 2s. Defendant—I ask for a fine so that I can appeal. I do not think the law is being carried out fairly. The Chairman—Fined 40s. Defendant—I give notice that I will appeal. Later the presiding magistrate said that the bench wished to reconsider its decision, and reduced the fine to 2s. 6d.

WELL-KNOWN HEAD CONSTABLE RETIRES.—Head Constable Thomas Steenson in charge of the guard at the Parliament House, Belfast, has retired under the fifty-seven years age limit after thirty-three years' service in the city. Mr. Steenson, who is a native of Monaghan, joined the Royal Irish Constabulary in 1886, and served in Co. Leitrim for three years. In 1890 he was transferred to Belfast, and during his long service in the city served at York Road, Roden Street, and Glenravel Street as constable, and Lisburn Road and Musgrave Street as sergeant. From the last-named place he was promoted head constable, and given charge of the guard at the Parliament House in May, 1922.

RIFLE CONCEALED ON SHIP.—John Thomas, second officer of the steamship Penteife, was fined £5 5s. at Londonderry on Wednesday, having, on January 21, "knowingly imported, harboured, and concealed" a rifle and 110 rounds of ammunition with intent to evade the prohibition. It was alleged that the defendant told the Customs officers that he had no arms or ammunition, but the rifle and ammunition were found in his locker. It was pleaded that the defendant acted in ignorance of the law. The articles were ordered to be forfeited.

APPEAL DISMISSED.

MRS. HARNETT'S SUIT FOR RESTITUTION.

The Court of Appeal, London, consisting of the Master of the Rolls and Lords Justices Warrington and Atkin, yesterday dismissed the appeal of Mrs. Dorothy Grace Harnett, Lisnacree, Co. Down, from the refusal of Mr. Justice Hill to grant her a decree of restitution of conjugal rights against her husband, Major Edward St. Clair Harnett, R.A.F. All the members of the Court recommended the parties to make up their differences, and the Master of the Rolls, at the end of his judgment, reminded them that to err is human and to forgive Divine.

The Master of the Rolls said that Mr. Justice Hill had come to the conclusion that there was no sincere desire on the part of the wife for restitution. He should have come to the same conclusion himself on consideration of the evidence. The Court had noted with satisfaction the great restraint with which the case had been presented to them by Mr. Bayford on behalf of the wife. From the letters it was apparent that there had been an ebb and flow of affection, and probably that affection had ebbed to a very low point before the trial. But here were two comparatively young married people, and if things remained as they were their lives and the life of their six-year-old child were exposed to great unhappiness. No Court could regard such a situation with equanimity.

If a happy life were to be assured to the parties, the Master of the Rolls continued, they must remember that it would not be by recriminatory proceedings in a Court of law. It was to be hoped that finality had been reached in the chapter of sorrow. With goodwill on both sides, good might come out of the unfortunate situation.

Lord Justice Warrington, who agreed, remarked that he would say as little as possible, lest he should put any obstacle in the way of a reconciliation between the parties.

Lord Justice Atkin, who concurred, said that both the petitioner and the respondent had, unfortunately, the gift of expressing with facility the feeling of the moment. There was no suggestion of serious matrimonial misconduct on the part of either, and there were times when they lived together not merely happily, but affectionately. Under such circumstances, it seemed most unfortunate that their married life should not be resumed.

There was one bond between them. Both were obviously fond of the child, and in the interests of the child it was plain that they ought to come together, if possible. If both would practice self-discipline, they should before very long be able to start on a happy and affectionate married life.

The appeal was accordingly dismissed.

WATER TO BE CUT OFF.

NOTICE TO NORTH SIDE RESIDENTS.

The Dublin Corporation Waterworks and Markets Committee gives notice that, owing to urgent repairs to the 24" Vartry main, the water will be turned off on the higher levels on the North side of the city, and from the Chapelizod and Inchicore districts, from 12 o'clock noon to-day. The notice adds:—"Provision should be made for the storage of supplies for at least ten or twelve hours."

POTEEN DISTILLING.

IMPRISONMENT FOR CO. MAYO OFFENDERS.

At Ballycroy, Co. Mayo, District Court, yesterday, Patrick Campbell, Thomas Campbell, and Michael Finn were convicted of having been engaged in the distilling of poteen. Patrick Campbell, an elderly man, was fined £10, but the other defendants were sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment, and fined £5 each.

For being in possession of a jar of "pot ale," used in the manufacture of poteen, Bryan Maguire was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment, and fined £5.

Notice of appeal was given in all the cases.

PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE COMPANY.

A reversionary bonus of £2 per cent. is being allocated by the Prudential Assurance Co., Ltd., to the ordinary branch policies which are entitled to participate.

Harold Larcombe, aged 17, New Cottages, Carnmoney Green, Glengormley, was killed at Stormont Castle, Belfast, yesterday afternoon through being caught in a winch.

News has been received in Castlederg of the death of the Right Rev. Dr. Gallagher, Bishop of Goulbourn, Australia, who was born in Castlederg 77 years ago. Dr. Gallagher was educated at Maynooth College.

The Governor of Northern Ireland and the Duchess of Abercorn intend to leave London on Monday for the South of France. They will return to London in the middle of February, and expect to go into residence at Clandeboye, County Down, early in

INSANITY ON THE INCREASE.

ASYLUM ACCOMMODATION OVERTAXED.

GRAVE POSITION AT GRANGEGORMAN.

The continued increase in insanity was forcibly commented on by the Chairman of the Joint Committee of the Grangegorman Mental Hospital at the meeting of the Committee yesterday. The Asylum population of the district was now 3,397, an increase of 2,000 within the last ten years. Additional accommodation for new patients, continually arriving, would have to be provided in the near future.

"INSOLENT LETTER."

At the opening of the meeting Mr. P. T. Daly said that he had never read a more insolent letter than that from the Local Government Ministry to the Committee touching the need for economy in administration.

The Ministry should themselves set the example in regard to the employment of demobilised soldiers. Such men were fitted to fill vacancies in the D.M.P., such as were recently filled by asylum attendants.

Mr. Daly moved that the Ministry be informed that the Joint Committee were quite competent to discharge the duties for which they were elected.

Mr. M. Stafford seconded, and drew attention to that portion of the letter which asked that demobilised soldiers of the National Army be employed. He said that the same facilities should be offered to the men who fought for Ireland and were now being released from the jails.

The Chairman said that the Committee had always gone in very carefully to the figures of all expenditure. They had always done their best, and they could do no more.

ESTIMATES REDUCED.

The consideration of the Finance Committee's report on the proposed estimates and demand for the ensuing year was then taken up. These showed a reduction of £5,126 as compared with the estimates of 1922-1923. The amount of the net demand was £184,400, as compared with £189,526 the previous year.

The Committee reported that increased accommodation must be found immediately for about 500 patients, and they hoped it might be found possible to secure the reversion of the North Dublin Workhouse.

The Chairman said that, having kept within their estimate during the past year, he was hopeful that a very substantial reduction could be made in this year's demand; but the great increase in the number of their patients, which would necessitate the opening of a new establishment, put out of the question any greater reduction than was indicated in the Committee's report. With regard to the suggestion of the Ministry for Local Government to review the wages, unless negotiations were re-opened between the Asylum Committees as a whole and the Unions concerned he did not see any useful purpose would be served by an individual Committee tackling the question. They were not prepared to reduce the scale of their patients' dietary to that which prevailed in other institutions. To reduce the standard of care and treatment of their patients would have very little permanent effect on the public outlay if the numbers of insane were continually on the increase.

PAUPERISM AND INSANITY.

The Chairman expressed alarm at the increase in insanity. Between December, 1922, and December, 1923, their patients increased by 133, and fresh cases were being admitted in ever-increasing numbers. While the ratepayers groaned under the ever-increasing burthen of insanity, the root cause of the trouble—namely, the increase in the numbers of insane—passed almost unnoticed. The asylum population of this district alone had increased by 2,000 between 1893 and 1923, the number now being 3,397.

No work, no wages, starvation and profound discontent were worse things than high rates and taxes and high wages. Unemployment and depression were some of the causes of lunacy, and the adoption of a policy of protection would do away to a great extent with these causes by absorbing the unemployed. He was convinced that pauperism and insanity were intimately bound up with the conditions brought about by lack of steady employment at a living wage to the workers.

POST-MORTEMS.

Dr. Donelan, Resident Medical Superintendent, said that people objected to *post-mortem* examination on their relatives, which was regrettable, for, apart from scientific investigation, it was the best protection for inmates of an asylum against ill-treatment. In many cases *post-mortem* examination revealed if a patient had been well or badly treated during life.

Replying to a member, Dr. Donelan said that he did not think bad whiskey was accountable for the increase in lunacy. It was notorious that when the jails became empty the asylums filled up. The stress of life was greater to-day than formerly.

The estimates were adopted.

IRISH RAILWAYS WAGES BOARD.

CLERKS AND THE COMPANIES.

The following resolution has been passed by the Irish Railway Clearing House Branch of the Railway Clerks' Association:—

"That the Railway Clearing House Branch of the Railway Clerks' Association view with great dissatisfaction the railway companies' reply to the moderate demands put forward in July last for improving existing national agreements, and consider said reply disappointing and provocative. We request our Irish Secretary to summon a meeting of the Irish Council to make arrangement to have the matter brought before the Irish Railways Wages Board without delay."

FORGED TELEGRAM.

CURATE'S JOKE ON BISHOP OF SODOR AND MAN.

At Liverpool Police Court yesterday, the Rev. Walter James Karran, curate of St. Matthew's Church, Douglas, Isle of Man, was fined £10, with 25 guineas costs, on the charge of aiding and abetting the sending of a forged telegram to the Bishop of Sodor and Man. The telegram purported to come from Mr. Baldwin, the Prime Minister, making an appointment to meet the Bishop at Liverpool.

The charge against Alice Mary Winstone, assistant manageress at a London café, was not proceeded with.

It was stated for the prosecution that the defendant, on the morning of December 3 travelled on the ss. Mona from Douglas to Liverpool, being accompanied by Miss Winstone. On the journey it apparently occurred to him as "a good joke" to have a bogus telegram sent to the Bishop of Sodor and Man, and on arriving at Liverpool he prepared the telegram for Miss Winstone, who wrote it out and had it despatched from the post office.

The result of "the joke" was that the Bishop hastened to Liverpool by the first boat, and missed an important engagement in the House of Keys, where he was to have seconded the second reading of an important Church Bill.

DALKEY FINANCE.

DISTRESS WARRANT AGAINST EX-TOWN CLERK.

Mr. F. Bernard, Local Government Department auditor, yesterday summoned William F. Gahan, ex-Town Clerk of Dalkey, before Mr. Collins, K.C., at Kingstown Police Court, for the non-payment of sums amounting to £31 8s., which he had been surcharged in connection with the accounts of the Dalkey Urban Council.

Portion of the amount sought to be recovered was stated to be in respect of extra clerical and accountancy work made necessary by the defendant's alleged negligence in the discharge of his duties as Town Clerk, and the remainder was in regard to unemployment insurance contributions which he had failed to deduct from the Council's employés, and which the Council had to make up.

The magistrate made an order for payment, and issued a distress warrant. Costs were allowed.

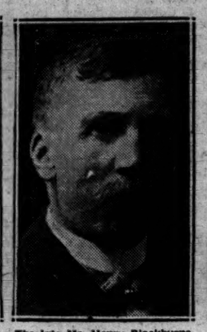
INTERPROVINCIAL HOCKEY TRIAL.

BLUES.

COLOURS.

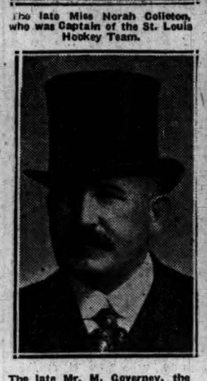
Lieutenant T. Nevin, of the Free State Air Force, who was killed in an accident at Baldonnell yesterday.

The late Miss Norah Colleton, who was Captain of the St. Louis Hockey Team.



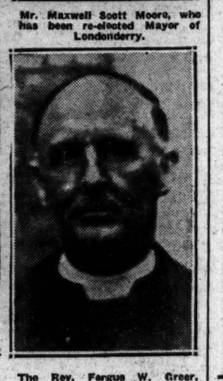
The late Mr. Henry Blackburne, Solicitor, of Belfast.

Mr. Maxwell Scott Moore, who has been re-elected Mayor of Londonderry.



The late Mr. M. Governey, the proprietor of the well-known mineral water factory of Corcoran and Co., Carlow, and founder and proprietor of the Carlow Boot Factory.

Sir Malcolm Macnaghten, K.C., M.P. for Londonderry, who has been appointed Recorder of Colchester, in succession to the late Sir Richard Muir.



The Rev. Fergus W. Greer, Rector of St. George's Parish, Dublin, who has been appointed a Canon and will be installed in Christ Church Cathedral this afternoon.

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TOBACCO-MAKING IN DUBLIN.

PROSPECT OF MUCH EMPLOYMENT.

Dublin is destined, it seems, to become in a very short time a great centre for the manufacture of tobacco. Two members of the Imperial Tobacco Company—Messrs. John Player and Sons and W. Clarke and Company—have already commenced operations, one in the North side and the other in the South side of the city. They are building extensive factories, which when completed will have cost a large sum of money. In addition Messrs. Wills have secured premises in the city. This large expenditure is a proof that these firms have confidence in the stability of the country, and that they believe the investment will pay.

There is an old-established firm well known in Dublin, that of Messrs. T. and P. Goodbody, which was founded in 1848. It has been a prosperous concern from the beginning, and is at present putting its "house in order," so as to be in a position to cope with the competition which is growing up beside it.

In view of various ill-informed statements which have been in circulation recently in reference to the firm's alliance with Messrs. Cope Bros., of Liverpool, the managing director (Mr. R. H. Goodbody) stated yesterday that he thought it desirable that the true position should be made public.

Owing to the recent deaths of Mr. Marcus Goodbody and Mr. Albert Goodbody, and to the increasing business of the firm, it has been found desirable to turn it into a limited liability company. The new company will be known as T. P. and R. Goodbody, Ltd., and will carry on the manufacture of tobacco, cigars, cigarettes and snuff, as heretofore. All the Goodbody family who are interested in the firm will be large shareholders. They had been fortunate (said the managing director) in interesting Messrs. Cope in the new company. They had a mutual working arrangement, but they remained independent of each other. The business of Messrs. Goodbody will remain, as heretofore, an Irish one.

SEED POTATO SUPPLY.

A POSSIBLE SHORTAGE.

Inquiries made by the Department of Agriculture indicate that in many districts there is likely to be a shortage of potatoes for seed purposes. It is, therefore, considered desirable to impress upon farmers the necessity of conserving supplies and reserving for planting all potatoes suitable for this purpose.

Owing to the recent mild weather, there has been some sprouting of potatoes in the pits. In view of this, farmers should have their stocks carefully examined and their seed selected without delay and stored under good keeping conditions. All farmers having surplus supplies of suitable potatoes are strongly advised to reserve them for seed, instead of giving them to stock or otherwise disposing of them.

In some parts of the country farmers will not have a sufficiency of seed, and there are likely to be inquiries as to where supplies can be obtained. One satisfactory feature of the position, in this respect, is that the reports received by the Department indicate that, while in some localities the shortage of seed may be considerable, there are, in practically all the counties, sufficient supplies to meet the requirements of each county as a whole.

In order to facilitate those who have seed for sale, as well as those who require to purchase, the Department are asking County Committees of Agriculture to keep registers of the names of those who have supplies for sale, and who notify the County Committees to this effect, so that they may be in a position to communicate this information to those who are seeking seed. This was done in 1918 and was found very helpful. It should be noted that the price of potatoes has been steadily on the increase, and it is probable that good seed may be scarce and dear later on. For this reason, farmers who require supplies are advised to take steps to procure what they require with as little delay as possible.

In view of the danger of introducing black scab disease with imported seed, every effort should be made to procure supplies in Ireland from districts where this disease is unknown. Black scab has been found in certain parts of County Louth, along the north-western seaboard of County Donegal, and in some of the north-eastern counties, particularly County Down. The Department desire to impress upon potato-growers the desirability of providing themselves with small quantities of one or other of the main crop varieties, such as Kerr's Pink, Irish Queen, Shamrock and Arran Victory, which are immune from the disease. In the event of the disease making its appearance in their districts, farmers would be required by Order to grow only immune varieties, and in such case they would find it a very great advantage to have seed of these varieties with which to crop their land.

IRISH PACKING COMPANY.

QUESTION OF PURCHASE

KEEPING THE PLANT IN ORDER.

An *Irish Times* representative interviewed Mr. F. W. Brine, works manager of the Irish Packing Company's factory at Drogheda, yesterday.

Asked as to the present situation Mr. Brine prefaced his remarks by stating that at the moment he was not in a position to give any information as regards the buying and selling negotiations, which was a matter entirely for the Receiver and manager, Mr. Harold J. Pim.

Discussing the contents of the article in Thursday's *Irish Times*, Mr. Brine said that negotiations for the purchase of the Packing Company's premises and plant were on foot, and, although he did not definitely state so, he gave our representative the impression that it is now only a question of price. As regards the auction of the property in September last, Mr. Brine said that it was not quite accurate to say that "it was intimated that £175,000 would be accepted." What was really intimated by the auctioneer was that a bid of £175,000 would be considered. In this connection, Mr. Brine pointed out that the company's two sister ships, the Meathside and Louthside (which are included in the plant to be sold) alone cost £165,000, £40,000 more than the highest bid for the whole concern.

Regarding the statement that Government assistance is now virtually assured, Mr. Brine said that that was the most delicate feature of the whole negotiations, and one that he would not discuss. It was quite true that the factory is in a better condition to-day than it was when they laid off working three years ago.

"During the past three years, all through the summer months," he continued, "we have run the machinery every day in conjunction with the manufacture of ice, which we have sold and distributed throughout Ireland. During the winter months we ran the machinery once or twice a week. On other days the engineers are fully occupied in putting finishing touches to the works, in expectation of a re-start in the near future. We are thus in a position to start killing at twenty-four hours' notice. The same can be said of our two ships; they also are A 1 in all their fittings."

Mr. Brine remarked, in conclusion, that he was longing for the day when they could "get busy again."

DAIL EIREANN COURTS.

THE CARRIAGE OF FOWL.

In the Dail Eireann Courts (Winding-up) Commission yesterday, Chief Commissioner Meredith and Commissioners Devitt and Crowley heard an appeal by Richard Wallace, Cork, against the decision of the Circuit Judge, sitting in that city, giving a decree for £220, with £10 10s. costs, to Timothy Lane, Cork, in an action for damages for breach of contract in respect of the carriage of fowl between Cork and Liverpool. He also appealed against the dismissal of his counter-claim for £21 16s. 8d. freightage.

Mr. T. Sullivan, K.C., with Mr. J. M. Fitzgerald (instructed by Mr. Michael Murphy, Cork), appeared for the appellant.

Serjeant Hanna, K.C., with Mr. Hungerford (instructed by Messrs. Babington, Clarke and Mooney), appeared for the respondent.

Judgment was reserved.

DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF DUBLIN.

The Dublin Diocesan Council met yesterday. The Archbishop of Dublin presided, and the other members present were:—Canon Lewis-Crosby, Canon Connell, Canon Thompson, the Rev. A. E. Hughes, Canon Gibbon, the Dean of Christ Church, Mr. W. G. Wakeley, Mr. J. A. Maconchy, Sir John W. Moore, Mr. W. Ireland, Mr. R. Hinde, Mr. A. D. Price, Sir Thomas Robinson, Sir W. J. Goulding, Mr. R. Blair White, Mr. P. H. Grierson, the Earl of Belmore. The Council adjourned until Thursday, February 28.

THE SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS.

The current issue of the *Building News* contains the following:—

"Rumours are once more abroad that the Society of Architects is to be merged in the R.I.B.A. The idea, which has been the subject of gossip and conjecture for some time past, is a sound one, and we hope it may mature. We understand that many meetings have been held in private to discuss the terms on which this fusion should be brought about. Whatever we may think of political coalitions, architects will have little reason to oppose the suggested compact that should strengthen the position of the profession, and reduce internal friction.

SCARTAGLIN CASE RECALLED.

CHARGE AGAINST FREE STATE SOLDIERS.

At the District Court in Castleisland, County Kerry, before Mr. Johnson, District Justice, Lieutenant Gaffney, and Volunteers Nunan and O'Rourke, of the Free State Army, were charged with having, on the 19th of July, at Scartaglin, assaulted James O'Connor, parish clerk.

District Justice Johnson adjourned the case against Lieutenant Gaffney for six months, and proceeded with the charge against Volunteers Nunan and O'Rourke. O'Rourke was the only one of the accused who appeared. As there was no evidence against him, informations in his case were refused.

Nunan, who did not appear, was fined £1, with £3 costs.

James O'Connor told the District Justice how, on the night of the 19th of July, 1923, at half-past eleven o'clock, he was in bed, and his father was in the kitchen. He heard voices in the kitchen asking his father if any military were there, and his father said "no." He recognised the voice as that of Lieutenant Gaffney.

That man, continued witness, went out and came back again, and asked his father what kept his son out so late. My father said that his son was not out, that he was in bed. Gaffney and his orderly, Nunan, then entered. Gaffney ordered me out of bed, and struck me when I got out. I got on my trousers, and Gaffney struck me again. I went down to the kitchen, and Gaffney struck me there again. Nunan was present with a third man I did not know. Gaffney ordered me out, and I went out, and Gaffney left Nunan in charge of me. I asked the orderly, whom I knew thoroughly well, "What is the charge against me?" and he said, "I don't know. I am only obeying orders from my Lieutenant, and he has told me that we were going to be attacked by 50 Die-hards."

Gaffney came down again and struck me and took me up to a furze ditch. He told me to get over the fence; that my last hour had come, and that it would be my last time in the ring with the National Army. I said that I did not interfere with the National Army. He told me to get in over the fence, and I declined. He then told me to get ready, and I told him I was ready, as I was innocent. He then struck me again, and Nunan came and struck me also, and the third man, whom I did not know, struck me. I got my teeth knocked out.

I said: "If you were men you would tell me what charge is against me, and deal with me then." Lieutenant Gaffney then said: "What did you tell Keane?" I said: "I told nothing to Keane, and if you doubt me come down to Keane." After that some shots were fired over my head.

Witness continued to describe his escape on the occasion, how he got away from his would-be captors, and took refuge behind some hay, while all the time shots were being fired over his head. "There was a military inquiry," continued the witness, "and Lieutenant Gaffney did not come well out of it."

WENT "ON THE RUN."

POSITION OF COUNTY DONEGAL AGRICULTURAL OFFICIAL.

At the meeting of the Donegal Committee of Agriculture on Tuesday—Mr. Thomas McFadden presiding—a letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, Dublin, refusing the request of Mr. Manus O'Flaherty to be reinstated in his position of Secretary to the Committee, a position which he abandoned by going "on the run" last year.

The Chairman said that the action of the Department struck him as being most high-handed, as Mr. O'Flaherty had never been dismissed from his post as secretary, and he had always given the fullest satisfaction to the Committee. He moved that Mr. O'Flaherty be requested to resume duty forthwith.

The Rev. J. Maguire, P.P., seconded the motion, and condemned what he called the harsh action of the Department. Mr. O'Flaherty had left abruptly, but many things happened up and down the country during the last few years, and men had done things which, he was sure, they would not approve in their calmer moments. The Department did not say the authority they consulted. It was hardly the Government, because they could not expect anything from the Government but a desire to punish Mr. O'Flaherty.

The motion was then passed, and the Acting Secretary was requested to inform Mr. O'Flaherty that he was required to resume his duties forthwith.

SERVICES IN IRISH.

Services in Irish will be held in the Lady Chapel, Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, next Sunday, and on the following Sunday, as follows:—Next Sunday, Holy Communion at 10 a.m. Sunday week, Evening Prayer and sermon, 5 p.m. The Rev. T. W. O'Connell will officiate and preach.

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CIVIL SERVICE HOURS.

CLAIM FOR "PERMISSIVE RETIREMENT" REFUSED.

At a meeting of the Civil Service (Compensation) Committee yesterday, at 24 Upper Merrion street, Dublin, a claim for "permissive retirement" was put forward, on the grounds of the additional half-hour which the staffs of the Civil Service were recently called upon to work. The claim was refused.

SHIPBROKER'S FAILURE.

UNSUCCESSFUL EFFORT TO HELP RECONSTRUCTION.

Arising out of the failure of Mr. Howard Houlder, described as a shipbroker, of St. Helen's place, London, creditors yesterday met at the London Bankruptcy Court. It was stated that Mr. Houlder roughly estimated his unsecured liabilities at £105,800, and expected his assets to realise a similar figure.

When the war ceased a wave of optimism prevailed, and people were encouraged by those in high places to help forward the work of reconstruction. Unfortunately he was one of those who responded to the call. He then possessed about four hundred thousand pounds. Far-seeing and experienced men never contemplated the world conditions shaping as they had done since the fictitious, short-lived trade boom which occurred after the war. If he had not come forward to help in reconstruction he would not have been in his present unfortunate position. His heavy losses were incurred in two investments in various companies in which he was interested.

Resolutions were passed for bankruptcy and the appointment of a trustee.

A committee of inspection was also elected to assist him in the administration of the estate.

SERGEANT'S OVERCOAT.

LARCENY CHARGE AGAINST NATIONAL SOLDIER.

In the Dublin Police Court yesterday Mr. Cooper, K.C., remanded for a week Michael Fitzpatrick, a soldier in civilian attire, on the charge of stealing from G.H.Q. Barracks, Parkgate street, an overcoat and other articles, valued at £10 16s., the property of Sergeant Herbert Phipps.

Sergeant Phipps deposed that the accused, who, he said, was wearing the stolen overcoat in the dock, had no authority to remove the articles from the witness's billet at the barracks.

Detective Officer Glynn gave evidence of arrest. Defendant made a statement to the effect that he had been attacked when leaving a club and kicked on the head by several men, and as he had no place to go he pawned some of the articles and sold the ticket.

"Later," continued the statement, "I bought iodine in Westland row for my head, which was cut. I could not stand the pain in my head, and drank the iodine to end my life, as I was sick of the world and wanted to end it all. I was afterwards treated in Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital for poison."

RADIO ASSOCIATION MEETING.

A well attended meeting of the Radio Association of Ireland was held in the Technical Institute, Kevin street, Dublin, on Wednesday night, when an interesting lecture on the reception of wireless signals was delivered by Mr. W. J. Byrne. This lecture was a continuation of a lecture on the same subject by Mr. A. L. Callan. The speaker discussed all fundamental phenomena, and the bearing of three electrode thermionic valves on the detection and reception of wireless waves. The lecture was well illustrated by lantern slides.

CIVICS' INSTITUTE OF IRELAND.

CHARITABLE BODIES AND RELIEF.

In the Dublin Mansion House yesterday the Civics Institute of Ireland held a conference to consider the possibilities of co-operation between voluntary charitable organisations and statutory bodies in the administration of relief. Sir John R. O'Connell, LL.D., presided, and there was a large attendance.

The Chairman, in opening the proceedings, referred to the urgency of the housing question and the necessity for attempting a solution. Dublin, he said, held one of the worst records in relation to the insanitary and appalling conditions under which the poor were housed. This was the root of the whole problem, and until something could be done by combination—Government help and voluntary effort—any attempt at reform in the housing of the poor would have little hope of success.

Another point of importance was the need for co-operation of charitable effort, except as regards the hospitals of Dublin, which stood alone. He regarded as important the co-ordination of charitable agencies, which would enable the unemployed to obtain employment more easily, secure for the sick proper treatment until they are restored to health, and provide for the dependents of the bread-winner or the mother of the family when sick. These objects could be attained by closer union between societies which relieve the poor, those which provide hospital and sanatoria treatment, and those which provide for after care.

A discussion was opened by Mrs. Noel Guinness, and those present expressed full agreement with the object of the meeting.

AONACH TAILTEANN.

ARCHERY CONTESTS ADDED TO LIST OF ATTRACTIONS.

Archery competitions are to be a feature of the Tailteann Games, and Senator Oliver Gogarty has been appointed to supervise the work of arranging the competitions. Prominent archers, both from the United States and from England, are being invited to participate.

At the last meeting of the General Council, in Dublin, it was announced that Sir Henry MacLaughlin had consented to accept the Chairmanship of the Committee on Ceremonial and Trophies. It was also announced that March 15 had been decided upon as the last date on which entries in the literary competitions could be accepted, and that an All-Ireland Congress to arrange matters in connection with the Handball Competitions had been fixed for Sunday next, the Congress to be held in Dublin.

NORTHERN DRAMA LEAGUE.

The Northern Drama League, which has already done splendid work in its first season, presented last night Mr. Bernard Shaw's "Great Catherine" and Tolstoi's "The Cause of it All," in the Great Hall of Queen's University, Belfast. The aim of the League is to give the Belfast public an opportunity of seeing good plays, which, otherwise, they would be unable to see. The productions in the first half of the winter of Ibsen's "An Enemy of the People" and Euripides's "The Trojan Woman" were both interesting and successful. In co-operation with the University Dramatic Society, Mr. Yeats's "The Shadowy Waters" and Synge's "Deirdre of the Sorrows" were also given, and attracted much attention. "Great Catherine," given last evening, is a delightfully amusing piece. The other piece, Tolstoi's "The Cause of it All," is a characteristic work of the great Russian writer.

Germany is hopelessly bankrupt, and so is Russia, and all the indications seem to show that this year France also will be bankrupt.—Sir George Paish.

DISTRESS IN DONEGAL.

NEED FOR SEED OATS AND POTATOES.

At the meeting of the Donegal Committee of Agriculture, Mr. M. Bonner referred to the necessity of providing seed oats and potatoes for farmers in the parts of the county where distress prevailed.

Mr. H. O'Donnell said that a Department agent had that day bought a couple of hundred tons of potatoes in Strabane market.

Mr. Bonner said that they should recommend to the County Council the creation of parish committees, to ascertain the needs of each district, and report at once to the Council.

Rev. J. Maguire, P.P., proposed that the County Council be asked to nominate parish committees to ascertain the requirements of each district and report to the Council, funds to be provided for the local committees to purchase seed. He had not much faith in Government officials managing this business. His experience was that in the past they did it very imperfectly. On one occasion they sent potatoes in bags in which there was salt, and not one of them grew at all.

Mr. Bonner seconded the resolution, which was adopted.

DUBLIN PORT BOARD.

SHIPMENT OF HORSES TO THE CONTINENT.

At the weekly meeting of the Dublin Port and Docks Board yesterday, Senator Moran presiding, a letter was read from Mr. William Paul stating that certain parties were contemplating the shipment of Irish-bred horses to the Continent, possibly in lots of 200 each trip, but they would not undertake the risk of shipment except berthage accommodation at the Liffey was guaranteed to the vessels coming from foreign ports, so that undue delay might be obviated.

A Southern port and one in the North of Ireland were anxious to get this business, Mr. Paul observed, but he did not see why Dublin should not be able to give the simple facilities required.

The letter was referred to the Harbour Master for report.

Arising out of a letter from the Royal Dublin Golf Club pointing out that the water supply for two public water fountains was taken from their main water pipe, the Chairman said that it would have been better if the letter had not been written. The matter would be referred to the Engineer. The club had obtained a good many concessions from the port, but henceforward they would have to pay for a good many things for which they were not paying at present.

NEW GLEN LINER

LAUNCHED IN BELFAST.

The twin-screw motor vessel Glenshiel, built to the order of the Glen Line, Ltd., was successfully launched yesterday by Messrs. Harland and Wolff, Ltd., Belfast. The principal dimensions are 485 feet by 62 feet by 39 feet 6 inches, with a gross tonnage of 9,500.

The new vessel has three complete steel decks, together with poop, bridge and forecastle. There are seven watertight bulkheads, and the double bottom, which extends fore and aft, is arranged to carry water ballast and oil fuel, as well as fresh water, piston-cooling water and lubricating oil. Accommodation is provided for passengers in a steel house on the boat deck forward. The machinery throughout the vessel is electrically driven, including the steering gear. A complete system of wireless telegraphy has been installed of the most up-to-date type, and there is a complete bell installation throughout.

Maryport Council has decided to send a strong protest to the London, Midland, and Scottish Railway against the closing of the old Maryport and Carlisle workshops.

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GOSSIP FROM THE COURSE

THE WEIGHTS.

EPINARD'S STIFF TASK.

MODERATE SPORT AT PLUMPTON.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.
LONDON, Thursday Night.

The eagerly-expected weights for the Spring Handicaps were published this afternoon in the *Racing Calendar*, and in the midst of a strike and uncommonly dull racing season they are more than welcome. The top weights in the Lincolnshire and Grand National are, respectively, Epinard, with 10st., and Music Hall, with 12st. 7lb. Epinard has received a pound more than I suggested on Monday in this column would be his portion. That pound is neither here nor there; but what does matter is that he is set to give such a lot of weight to those who come nearest him in the handicap—Condover, with 8st. 9lb., and Drake, with 8st. 7lb.

Both these are high-class horses. The former is a winner of the Coronation Cup, and the latter was almost the best two-year-old of his season. If Epinard runs for any of his weight-for-age engagements in England this year, he will be in the position of actually receiving weight from Condover, to whom he has here to give 19lb. and a year. It is, perhaps, doubtful whether Condover will run at Lincoln. He is not a good beginner, as everyone knows, and showed it emphatically in the Royal Hunt Cup last June.

In a sharp race like the Lincolnshire a good beginning is very essential. I shall be rather surprised if the stable, should they have a runner, does not rely instead on Campbell Kid, who is handicapped with 7st. 4lb. Drake, too, may be rather a doubtful proposition.

USEFUL FRENCH FORM.

The best of the other French candidates, Sir Gallahad III., a winner of the French Two Thousand at Chantilly, has 8st. 5lb., or 23lb. below Epinard. These two French horses, to my mind, are very important factors in the handicap, and, if Epinard were to cry off before the acceptance stage, Captain J. D. Cohn might be very strongly tempted to have a cut in with Sir Gallahad III., who showed all his best form in the spring of last year, and whose class is manifestly superior to that of most of his English rivals.

I am rather inclined to think that the French classic form was fairly good last year, for some very good judges who saw the race for the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe at Longchamps last October are convinced that the Grand Prix winner, Filibert de Savoie, would have beaten Parth had he been better ridden. One is inclined to be sceptical as to whether M. Pierre Wertheimer, who has open to him so many nice weight-for-age engagements in which Epinard can compete, will essay a handicap task of this magnitude so early in the season. The Frenchmen are not averse to a gamble, but the bookmakers, so far, do not seem disposed to accommodate them in any way where the Lincolnshire is concerned.

The rather lowly position assigned to Condover in the handicap has rather squeezed out a good many of the others, and I should not be surprised if the race fails to draw a big acceptance next week. Nuce d'Argent, who is said to be a good deal fancied, has 7st. 5lbs., or exactly a stone behind Sir Gallahad III.; but I should not expect to see him beat a high-class four-year-old like the Frenchman at a stone. The other hurdler, Civic Guard, is very nicely in with 7st.—that is, if his course over the obstacles has reformed him and he condescends to get off with the others.

GRAND NATIONAL WEIGHTS.

In the Grand National, Music Hall, as I anticipated last Monday, is top weight, with 12st. 7lbs., giving a pound to Gerald L. and two pounds to Shaun Spadah. Sergeant Murphy, however, with 11st. 10lbs., or seven pounds more than he carried when he won last year, is a good deal lower than where I expected to find him. Hawker has to give him seven pounds and Silvo six pounds. Last year's third, Conjuror II., has exactly the same weight, and so has Arravale—11st. 2lbs. Of Mr. Usher's pair, Max has 11st. 3lbs., and Clonsheever a pound less. Eureka II., 11st. 5lbs., Punt Gun 11st., and Fly Mask 10st. 12lbs., are all likely to become fancied candidates.

The Grand National, I imagine, will lead to plenty of betting, for I do not see that many owners have cause for dissatisfaction, but the Lincolnshire situation will have to be cleared up a good deal before people will begin to speculate freely on it. The publication of the acceptances next Wednesday may, however, help us materially in making a step towards the solution of the problem.

WIND UP AT PLUMPTON.

The returns of the Plumpton meeting this afternoon will tell practically all there is to be told about it. We have seen so many good finishes in selling steeplechases lately that we were quite prepared for a dead-heat between those very moderate animals, The Star and Only Son. Colonel R. Page Croft gained one of his infrequent successes on this side when Southerner won him the Ringmer Novices' Steeplechase. It was a bloodless sort of victory, for he only had two opponents, and as they both alternately refused and fell, and refused again, Southerner finished alone, neither of the jockeys on the other pair being able even to get them past the post to claim second money.

There should be much better racing tomorrow at Kempton Park, which, being so near London, will not suffer a great deal from the absence of railway facilities. It is, perhaps, doubtful whether Noce D'Argent will turn up to oppose All Away in the Middlesex Hurdle. Both have made a big impression by their easy victories in their single races over hurdles, and if Noce D'Argent absents, ALL AWAY should have a very easy task.

ARDGOUR runs for the Littleton Handicap Steeplechase, and I would not care to select one to beat him. The Kempton Park Hurdle looks far less one-sided, for Flaming Sword, Redhill, Ulster Division, and Hong Kong all appear to have chances. Ulster Division, indeed, is said to be well fancied, and may be the mount of Frank Wootton. If, however, HIGH FORCE runs for William Nightingall instead of Tomahawk, I would take him to win, as Lord Rosebery's horse is particularly well just now.

GALTEE MORE.

BETTING FORECAST.

KEMPTON.

1.30 Race—11 to 10 agst. Ned Carver, 3 to 1 Lord Gallant, 5 to 1 Hackman, 7 to 1 Sir Eyre, 10 to 1 Coddor, 100 to 6 any other.

2.0 Race—7 to 4 agst. Peter Pax, 4 to 2 Flighty, 5 to 1 Codford, 6 to 1 Rosemary, 10 to 1 Martuz, 8 to 1 any other.

2.30—Race—2 to 1 agst. Hong Kong, 11 to 4 Perry Hill, 5 to 1 Redhill, 8 to 1 Groomsport, 10 to 1 each Charlie Sutfact and Tomahawk, 100 to 8 each Flaming Sword and Buffoon, 100 to 6 any other.

3.0 Race—7 to 4 agst. Ardgour, 11 to 4 What Luck, 5 to 1 each Broadway and Snae Fell, 8 to 1 Lovely Bird, 10 to 1 each Silken Prince and Carrolstown, 100 to 6 any other.

3.30 Race—Evens Maxtol, 7 to 2 Silken Prince, 5 to 1 Gem, 8 to 1 each Pride of Manister and Cross Paddy, 100 to 8 any other.

4.0 Race—11 to 10 on All Away, 7 to 2 agst. Squarson, 11 to 2 Isle of Wight, 8 to 1 each Vic's Choice and Highlander, 100 to 1 each Bonne Race and Battle Cruiser, 100 to 6 any other.

"FORM" HORSES.

KEMPTON.

1.30—Ned Carver. 3. 0—Ardgour.
2. 0—Flighty. 3.30—Maxtol.
2.30—Hong Kong. 4. 0—All Away.
Double—Ardgour and All Away (nap).

A Student of Form.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Daily News :—Double — Maxtoi and All Away.

Daily Graphic :—Double — Gem and All Away.

Daily Express :—Double—Flaming Sword and All Away. Safety bet—All Away.

Daily Chronicle :—Double—Hong Kong and Ardgour. "To Beat the Book"—Hong Kong.

Westminster Gazette :—To-day's best — Ardgour. Double—Silken Prince and Ardgour.

Daily Mail :—Special selection—All Away.

Daily Mirror :—Double — Flaming Sword and All Away.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

KEMPTON PARK MEETING.

Brentford Hurdle—Clackmannan.
Kempton Park Handicap Hurdle—Boddam.
Sunbury Four-Year-Old Hurdle—Brown Pom.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Newark Handicap Steeplechase, Nottingham—Defer.

All engagements in Lord Astor's name—Light Hand.

CITY OF WATERFORD.

DOUBLE FOR MR. R. WALLACE.

The City of Waterford Meeting yesterday was welcomed by Southern racegoers, coming at a time when there is such a long interval between the regular fixtures, and it was an extremely lucky matter that the day should prove one of the finest of the winter months. The course yielded splendid going for the period of the year, and the day's racing passed off without a single mishap to horse or jockey, which goes to prove that the building up of what used to be termed the "bad turn" has had the desired effect. The attendance was fairly satisfactory, and justified the Executive in holding a January fixture, while no fault could be found with the racing.

Mr. R. Wallace carried off the chief spoils, both Belle Field and Fast Asleep winning races, and the former in capturing the Waterford Steeplechase did so in very convincing style. She was in front from the start, and when tackled by Windfield and Wimborne at the last fence quickly accounted for the pair, drawing away to win easily by many lengths. Fast Asleep, ridden by Mr. J. H. Wallace, upset the odds laid on Pullyboy for the Knockeen Plate, the latter, after leading for most of the way, being last of three runners at the finish. Rathbar, an own brother to the useful Rathcoole, won the Johnstown Plate, after a vigorous set-to with Empress Forest. The latter seemed to have got the verdict safe after the last hurdle, but Rathbar, joining issue again, got up in the last couple of strides to win by a neck. Pillow Slip and First Consul, whose owner is at present abroad, ran in the *Soir* Plate, and both were well supported. Pillow Slip proved the better of the two, and withstanding the late challenge of Kilmoral won rather comfortably. Milnia was always galloping like a winner of the Ballyglan Plate, and, taking the lead half a mile from home, was never afterwards approached, Maidstown finishing second, and Ballinacurra Boy third, while Ada and Athlunkard were pulled up a mile from the end. Details:—

2.0—**JOHNSTOWN PLATE** of 50 sovs. A handicap hurdle race. 1¼ m.

Mr. G. Quain's ch. g. RATHBAR, by Rathcoole—Barnard, a, 10-12.....J. H. Harty 1
Mrs. M. Callaghan's EMPRESS FOREST, a, 11-0.....P. Cullen 2
Mr. P. Corcoran's HERALD, a, 9-2.....J. Brown 3
Mr. D. J. Power's Carrig Long, 5, 11-8.....J. Mahony 0
Mr. R. C. Ross' Tarbet, 5, 10-3.....E. Houlihan 0
Mr. W. Watson's Melange, a, 9-12.....J. McNeil 0
Capt. C. B. Harty's Lomond Lad, a, 9-7.....Mr. T. B. Cullinan 0

(Winner trained by H. Harty.)

Betting—2 to 1 each agst. RATHBAR and Herald, 4 to 1 Empress Forest, 10 to 1 any other.

Rathbar settled down in front of Herald, Empress Forest, Lomond Lad, Tarbet, Melange, and Carrig Long, until half a mile from home, when Empress Forest improved her position, to take the lead in the straight. Rathbar regained the lead close home, and won by a neck; six lengths separated second and third. Lomond Lad was fourth and Carrig Long next.

2.30—**SUIR PLATE** of 50 sovs. A selling hurdle race. 1¼ m.

Mr. T. Singleton's b. f. PILLOW SLIP, by Sleipner—Gretna, a, 11-3.....D. Ward 1
Mrs. Croft's KILMORAL, a, 11-3.....P. Powell 2
Mr. R. O'Donnell's GOLD LABEL, 6, 10-10.....E. Houlihan 3
Capt. J. C. R. Delmege's Little Courtier, a, 11-10.....J. Macormack 0
Mr. W. Murphy's All Alike, 6, 10-5.....P. Murphy 0
Mr. W. Watson's Made Up, 6, 10-10.....J. Mahony 0
Mr. T. Singleton's First Consul, 4, 10-2.....A. McNeil 0

(Winner trained by Mr. Brooke.)

Betting—2 to 1 agst. PILLOW SLIP, 3 to 1 each Kilmoral and First Consul, 8 to 1 Gold Label, 20 to 1 any other.

Gold Label came on from Little Courtier. All Alike, Pillow Slip, First Consul, with Made Up last, until entering the straight, when Pillow Slip took command, and, holding Kilmoral at bay, won a good race by three-parts of a length; four lengths separated second and third. First Consul was fourth, and Little Courtier next.

The winner was bought in for 90 sovs.

2.55—**BALLYGLAN PLATE** of 55 sovs. A handicap steeplechase. 3m.

Col. Croft's ch. m. MILINA, by Marcovil—Lantana, a, 11-4.....P. Powell 1
Mr. N. Connolly's MAIDSTOWN, a, 11-1.....W. Fitzgerald 2
Mr. W. J. Madden's BALLINACURRA BOY, a, 11-11.....Mr. C. M'Carthy 3
Mr. J. B. Knowles's Ada, a, 11-9.....Owner 0
Capt. W. Molony's Athlunkard, a, 11-4.....F. Houlihan 0

(Winner trained by Mr. H. Fisher.)

Betting—3 to 4 agst. MILINA, 3 to 1 each Ada and Ballinacurra Boy, 10 to 1 each other.

Maidstone cut out the work from Milina, Ballinacurra Boy, Athlunkard, and Ada last, until a mile from home, when Athlunkard and Ada were pulled up. Half a mile from home Milina took the lead, and won by four lengths; six lengths separated second and third.

3.20—**WATERFORD PLATE** of 50 sovs. A handicap steeplechase. 2m.

Mr. R. Wallace's ch. m. BELLE FIELD, by Le Sauvenir—Shinrone, a, 11-0.....P. Glavin 1
Mr. M. M'Grath's WINBORNE, a, 10-0.....Mr. C. M'Carthy 2
Mrs. H. Harty's WINDFIELD, a, 10-13.....J. Mahony 3

Mr. R. Power's Tully, a, 11-4.....P. Powell 0
Mr. J. T. Purcell's Boomerang, a, 11-4.....J. Gleeson 0

(Winner trained by Owner.)

Betting—Evens Windfield, 4 to 1 each agst. Boomerang and Winborne, 6 to 1 Tully, 8 to 1 BELLE FIELD.

Belle Field made play from Tully, Windfield, Winborne, and Boomerang, and, making all the running, won easily by four lengths; a neck divided second and third. Tully was fourth. Boomerang did not complete the course.

3.45—**KNOCKEEN PLATE** of 50 sovs. A weight for age steeplechase. 2m.

Mr. R. Wallace's b. m. FAST ASLEEP, by Vilko—Sleepless, a, 11-9.....Mr. J. H. Wallace 1
Mr. H. N. Magill's SCOTCH RUN, a, 11-9.....Mr. J. T. Widger 2
Mr. J. J. Parkinson's POLLYBY, 6, 12-4.....T. Cullen 3

(Winner trained by Owner.)

Betting—7 to 4 on Pollyby, 7 to 4 agst. FAST ASLEEP, 10 to 1 Scotch Ben.

Pollyby led from Fast Asleep and Scotch Ben, until half a mile from home, when Fast Asleep took command, and won easily by five lengths; four lengths divided second and third.

HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

Date.	Meet.	Hour.
Saturday, 26th	Priestown Cross-roads	1.30

THE KILDARE.

Saturday, 26th	Enfield	11. 0

THE MEATH.

To-day	Corballton Fingerpost	11. 0

BRAY HARRIERS meet at Cabinteely tomorrow at 1.30, instead of Kilcarbery.

TIPPERARY FOXHOUNDS.—January—To-day, 25th, Garnavilla; Monday, 28th, The Kennels; Wednesday, 30th, Moyglass. February—Change of Meets—Friday, 1st, Cashel; Monday, 4th, Clonmel. At 11 o'clock.

MEATH HOUNDS (Revised Card).—To-day, Corballton Finger Post; Monday, 28th January, Lake View, Mullagh; Tuesday, 29th January, Rathbeggan; Thursday, 31st January, Patrickstown X; Friday, 1st February, Somerville; Monday, 4th February, Meadstown X; Tuesday, 5th February, Rathfeigh; Thursday, 7th February, Aclare; Friday, 8th February, Laracor; Monday, 11th February, Coddingstown; Tuesday, 12th February, Priestown X; Thursday, 14th February, Slane Castle; Friday, 15th February, Moyglare Barracks. At 11 a.m.

THE EAST MEATH HOUNDS.—January—Tuesday, 29th, Myour X; February—Saturday, 2nd, Tynagh; Tuesday, 5th, Cartron Forge; Friday, 8th, Siralea X; Monday, 11th, Derrahiney X; Thursday, 14th, Kemple; Monday, 18th, Aughrim; Thursday, 21st, Ramora. At 11 o'clock.

ASSOCIATION.

FINES FOR NON-REGISTRATION.

At a meeting of the Senior Protest and Appeals Committee of the I.F.A. at Belfast last night, Samuel M'Keown, a professional player of Queen's Island, was fined seven guineas for having played for Linfield last season without having been registered as a professional. Linfield Club were also fined ten guineas in connection with the same offence. L. J. M'Elroy (Bohemians) was reinstated as an amateur.

BILLIARDS.

SMITH v. NEWMAN.

Yesterday's play in this match at Leicester Square, London, again reached a high standard. Both players were in brilliant form, but Smith managed to secure the lead before the close. Newman had breaks of 497, 168 and 271, and Smith 414, 309, 452 and 575 (unfinished). Closing scores:—Smith, 13,335; Newman, 12,740.

PLUMPTON RESULTS.

1.0—**GORING (S.) STEEPLECHASE** of £100. 3m.

Mr. Ingram's br. g. THE STAR, by Juggernaut, dam by Orion—Fiona, 6, 11-5.....H. Johns *
Mr. Short's b. h. ONLY SON, by Son-in-Law—Mary Queen of Scots, 6, 11-3.....G. Green *
Mrs. Goode's BUBBLES III., 9, 11-10.....P. Grantham 3

Also ran:—Deccan (R. Trudgill), Snow Lough (J. Moylan).

*Dead-heat. Stakes divided.

(The Star trained by Hanshaw; Only Son trained by Hammond).

Betting—11 to 8 on Snow Lough, 2 to 1 agst. THE STAR, 10 to 1 ONLY SON or any other.

Dead-heat; had third.

There was no bid for either of the winners.

1.30—**FALMER (S.) HANDICAP HURDLE** of £100. 2m.

Mr. Allden's b. h. BROTHERHOOD, by Lomond—Sisterlike, 5, 10-4.....P. Allden 1
Mrs. Bennett's BEDELIA, 6, 11-9.....G. Duller 2
Mr. Prince's KING'S GOVERNOR, 5, 10-11.....J. Morgan 3

Also ran:—Cumberland (Pellerin), Hilaire (Mr. Bisgood), Raiyan (C. Rell), Sir Malcolm (W. Burley), Ariane (Vinall). (Winner trained by Allden.)

Betting—11 to 8 on Bedella, 3 to 1 agst. King's Governor, 8 to 1 Sir Malcolm, 10 to 1 Cumberland, 100 to 8 BROTHERHOOD or any other.

Won by a length; a bad third.

The winner was sold to Mr. J. Hare for 105 gns.

2.0—**RINGMER NOVICES' STEEPLECHASE** of £100 (riders who have not ridden three winners under any rules). 2m.

Colonel Croft's b. c. SOUTHERNER, by Sunny Land—Dark Dinah, 6, 11-12.....Mr. G. S. Poole 1

Also ran:—Last Born (A. Francis), Wake Up (H. Osige). (Winner trained by H. Law.)

Betting—Evens SOUTHERNER, 5 to 2 each agst. Last Born and Wake Up.

Winner finished alone, the others fell.

2.30—**STREAT HANDICAP HURDLE** of £100. 2m.

Mrs. Hutton's ch. h. PUCK, by White Magic—Radegonde, 6, 12-6.....F. Rees 1
Mr. M. Rhodes' OWEN, 5, 10-8.....Fitton 2
Mr. Prince's ILMA DEMURSKA, 6, 10-7.....Morgan 3

Also ran:—Say (J. Moylan), Cookdrinagh (Mr. J. Stevens), Graceful Mover (P. Allden), Dundonald (G. Duller), Wry (Mr. R. Pulford). (Winner trained by G. Poole.)

Betting—11 to 8 agst. PUCK, 4 to 1 Ilma Demurska, 6 to 1 each Owen and Dundonald, 8 to 1 Say, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by four lengths; same.

3.0—**JANUARY STEEPLECHASE** of £85. 3m.

Col. Starkey's b. g. NORTHBROOK, by Omadi Halfa, dam by Perigord—Kingspool, 5, 11-8.....G. Calder 1

Mrs. Boswall-Preston's GREEK SCHOLAR, 11, 10-4.....Mr. R. Pulford 2
Mr. Collins' MY RATH, 12, 12-0.....A. Stubbs 3

Also ran:—Spoil Five (A. Escott). Off 3.1. (Winner trained by S. Bennet.)

Betting—5 to 4 agst. Spoil Five, 9 to 4 NORTHBROOK, 5 to 2 Rath, 100 to 8 Greek Scholar.

Won easily. Greek Scholar and My Rath fell, but were remounted, and finished the course.

3.25—**HOPEFUL HURDLE** of £80. 2m.

Mr. W. Allden's b. g. COLCANNON, by Bombo—Coleweort, 4, 10-7 (5 ex).....P. Allden 1
Mr. Mackay's LADY CLARENCE, 5, 10-12.....F. O'Neill 2
Mr. Reer's RADIANT RIVER, 5, 12-3.....G. Duller 3

Also ran:—Bucket (A. Smyth), Bedella (A. Stubbs), Crozet (Pellerin), Mintaway (L. Butchers), Last Born (Mr. R. Pulford). Off 3.27. (Winner trained by Allden.)

Betting—5 to 4 agst. Radiant River, 6 to 4 Bucket, 10 to 1 King Throstle, 100 to 8 COLCANNON or any other.

Won by half a length; five lengths.

RUGBY.

IRELAND v. FRANCE.

Mr. A. Lowrie (Scotland) will referee to-morrow's International game at Lansdowne road. Up to yesterday none of the selected players on the Irish side had declared off, and it is expected that there will be no changes. The match starts at 3 o'clock.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE (9) V. GARRYOWEN (3).

National University visited Limerick yesterday, and played Garryowen at the Market Field. The weather was cold and threatening, and the attendance was only moderate. Garryowen opened with the incline, and the game for some time settled at the centre. The visitors forced the play to the home territory, where Garryowen had a busy interval defending before O'Brien eased by kicking to half-way touch. Loose and uneven play followed, and following on a nice back movement, University, per Hogan, scored a try, which was converted. Before the interval whistle the visitors increased their lead with a dropped goal. The second period saw Garryowen doing better in the loose, and, getting possession at the centre, Harney ran to the quarter-way, where he was taken down, and a lively interlude followed. The attack was kept up by the homesters, and eventually O'Brien was put in possession to score at the corner, but the try was not improved upon. The Students, headed by Lyddy and Courtenay, transferred play to midfield, but Garryowen were quickly back to the attack. They could not, however, penetrate the defence. Result:—

University College—2 goals (1 dropped) (9 points).
Garryowen—1 try (3 points).

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

Old Wesley v. Galway, Donnybrook, 3 o'clock.
Monkstown v. Cork Constitution, Sydney Parade, 3.15.

Old Wesley—A. C. McGowan; W. H. Glanville, V. K. Bailey, H. Deane, J. McGowan, J. O. Holland (capt.), D. J. Malan; E. R. Barrett, G. W. Clegg, D. S. Alley, A. Love, F. G. Bray, T. Atkinson, B. E. Gentleman, and S. A. Harris.

NATIONAL BANK R.F.C.

The annual general meeting of the National Bank Rugby Football Club will be held in the Bankers' Club, 93 St. Stephen's Green, this evening at 8 o'clock sharp. All members and intending members are requested to attend.

MONKSTOWN CLUB.

The annual dinner will be held on Saturday, 1st March. Members wishing to attend should forward their names to the hon. secretary at once.

GOLF.

ANOTHER HAVERS AND OCKENDEN WIN.

CALIFORNIAN CHAMPION BEATEN.

NEW YORK, Thursday.

Havers (Coombe Hill) and Ockenden (Raynes Park) defeated the professional, W. Fries, and Mc'Hugh, the Californian amateur champion, by 7 and 6 in a thirty-six holes match at Oakland.

SKERRIES.—To-morrow (Saturday)—Monthly medal. Scratch.

NOMADS G.S.—Weekly competition, 2-ball four, some v. bogey. Result:—A. Lambkin (19) and E. Walker (18), 3 up; J. Saul (5) and S. Falkner (13), 2 down.

AONACH TAILTEANN.

IRISH ATHLETES IN TRAINING.

The list of American athletes visiting Ireland for the Tailteann Games is a formidable one, and the question arises—Have we an Irish team in preparation at home which may be expected to put up a struggle against the crack runners and jumpers from the States and elsewhere? Up to the present the Irish sporting public have been kept somewhat in the dark, but Mr. J. J. Keane's statement at the last meeting of the Central Committee of Aonach Tailteann throws some considerable light on the matter. Mr. Keane stated that about a dozen of the best men in the country are in strict training. Mr. Denis Carey, superintendent of the D.M.P., has been working hard with promising talent. Those in training include:—Sean Lavin, Irish quarter-mile champion, who is expected to beat 50 secs. this season on a grass track, and will make it hot for M. J. O'Driscoll, who is credited with 48 1-5 in the United States on fast cinder tracks; Clarke, Gilmore, and Ogle, of Antrim, are getting fit up North, while McEachern, of Clonliffe Harriers, is at work. These will be the most formidable Irish opponents at mid-distances of Joie Ray, the great Irish-American miler. Denis Cussen, of Trinity; Henry Conway, of National; Loughlin, and Gough are under supervision with a view to participation in the Games, and all are sprinters of unusual capabilities. Under Inspector Carey's special care are:—Birmingham, the quickly-improving discus thrower; W. Shanahan, the present all-round champion of Ireland; and L. Stanley, who, during last summer, advanced from 5ft. 8in. to 6ft. in the high jumps, are doing regular gymnasium and track work. As well as these, J. J. Ryan, of Tipperary, our best long-distance runner, is being approached with a view to bringing him under a capable coach, and the Limerick giant, O'Grady, is practising steadily with the shot under John Flanagan's supervision. During the next few months useful distance men will be watched at the cross-country championships, and it is proposed to run try-outs next June for final selection of the Irish team. O'Shea, of America, is probably the most formidable outside contender for the all-round championship, but good judges deem that W. J. Button, of Baltimamore, will win the decathlon.

KEMPTON PARK.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME AND SELECTIONS.

Providing that the officials are not disappointed in their anticipations regarding the supply of horses, there is little doubt about the success of the Kempton fixture this week, as the Park is within easy walking distance of trams and omnibus routes, and only three miles from an electric train route from London. A great deal of rain has fallen in the Thames Valley lately; consequently the hurdle race track is certain to be on the heavy side, but the steeplechasing line is invariably reasonably good, and top weights win a fair share of the contests decided here over the big jumps. The opposition for the Kempton Handicap will probably be an extensive one, Morganatic Marriage, Flaming Sword, Tomahawk, Redhill, Ulster Division, Hong Kong, Perry Hill, being among the likely competitors, and possibly Simon's Light, High Force, and Honeycomb. All Away runs for the Middlesex Hurdle Race, and there were various thoughts yesterday morning of slipping Isle of Wight against him, but, as the night threatened to be very wet, wiser counsels may prevail. Selections:

Weybridge Steeplechase—Silken Prince.
Sunbury Hurdle—Laughing Cavalier or Peter Pax.
Kempton Park Handicap—Flaming Sword.
Littleton Steeplechase—Ardgour.
Amateurs' Steeplechase—Maxtol.
Middlesex Hurdle—All Away.

[The figures in front of the names of the horses are an index to placings in their last three engagements—reading from right to left; (s) signifies started slowly.]

1.30—WEYBRIDGE SELLING STEEPLECHASE of £175. 3½ m.

20	IRISH FIELD (Mrs. Gregory)	C. Young	11 12 3
400	CONDOR (Major Stanforth)	R. Payne	7 11 2

(The above have arrived.)

342	SIR EYRE (Mr. ...)	Wood	10 12 1
101	MY RATH (Mr. Collins)	Bennett	12 12 2
102	SILKEN PRINCE (Mrs. Baker)	Martin	10 12 3
324	LORD GALLANT (Mrs. Bennett)	Bennett	11 12 2
234	HEDU (Mr. H. Brown)	H. Brown	10 12 1
030	CRAGGIE ROCK (Mr. T. Hartigan)	C. Young	9 12 2
020	THE CONNER (Mr. Mogan)	Hogan	9 11 1
030	HEATHENCOTE (Mr. Norman)	H. Payne	11 12 3
320	JOHN CHEEK (Mr. Langlands)	Langlands	11 12 2
241	HACKAM (Mrs. Stevens)	Stevens	9 12 1
011	NED CARVER (Mr. Tattersall)	C. Young	9 10 10
040	COMMANDER SMITH (Mr. Thesle)	Doyle	10 12 2
324	LOCH O' GARR (Capt. Virtue)	Gore	11 12 3
424	BRIGHT PROSPECT (Mr. Lines)	Lines	11 12 1

2.0—SUNBURY FOUR-YEAR-OLD SELLING HURDLE of £175. 2 m.

03	CODFORD (Sir H. Bird)	Hammond	12 8
0	GARRYFORD (Mr. Holmes)	Holme	10 6

(The above have arrived.)

004	ROSEMARY (Mr. Whiteman)	Duller	10 12
50	ICARUS (Mr. O. Bayne)	East	10 12
13	HALF-POWDER (Mr. Miller)	Bennett	10 12
0	ANOTHER DUKE (Mr. Evans)	Stubbs	10 12
000	LAUGHING CAVALIER (Mrs. Baker)	Martin	10 5
003	FLIGHTY (Mrs. Bennett)	Bennett	10 5
0	BELASCO (Mr. R. Brendon)	Bennett	10 5
30	SIMON LIGHT (Mr. S. Edgar)	Whitaker	10 5
0	HOUSEHOLD BRIGADE (Mr. Edge)	Brooke	10 5
213	PETER PAX (Mr. Humphreys)	Poole	10 5
014	RUN HONEY (Mr. Lines)	Lines	10 5
0	MINTAWAY (Mr. Mealings)	Butchers	10 5
00	LAVERSTOKE (Mr. H. Wells)	Private	10 5
00	MARLUX (Mr. Wootton)	Hanley	10 5

2.30—KEMPTON PARK HANDICAP HURDLE of £300. 2 m.

210	REDHILL (Mr. Thompson)	F. Hartigan	5 12
013	HONG KONG (Mr. Waldman)	Martin	5 11
110	BUFFOON (Mr. Adams)	Pope	6 10

(The above have arrived.)

140	MORGANATIC MARRIAGE (Lt.-Col. Champneys)	P. Leader	9 12
023	FLAMING SWORD (Lady Wallace)	Poole	6 12
310	TOMAHAWK (Mr. Weil)	W. Nightingall	6 12
110	GROOMSPORT (Mr. Whitaker)	Whitaker	5 11
210	ULSTER DIVISION (Mr. D. Barnett)	Earl	7 11
220	PERRY HILL (Mr. L. Phillips)	Gore	7 11
130	HIGH FORCE (Lord Rosebery)	W. Nightingall	5 11
300	CHARLES SURFACE (Mr. Wigan)	Gore	7 11
005	SIMON'S LIGHT (Mrs. Jones)	Orbell	5 11
410	CROSSBUR (Mr. Larkin)	Larkin	10 11
200	HONEYCOMB (Mr. Tait)	Duller	6 10
0	KWANG-SU II (Mr. Heaney)	Duller	6 10

3.0—LITTLETON HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £200. 2 m.

220	ARDGOUR (Mr. ...)	F. Hartigan	4 11
00	HACKDENE (Mr. E. Stanley)	Hastings	4 10

(The above have arrived.)

022	SOUTHERNER (Mr. Kenyon)	Davis	7 12
0	KWANG-SU II (Mr. Heaney)	Wootton	4 11
140	MORGANATIC MARRIAGE (Lt.-Col. Wayland)	Whitaker	8 12
040	ARDEOUS (Capt. Norris)	Champneys	7 12
004	BROWNSTOWN (Mrs. Burnley)	Bennett	7 11
250	AMMONAL (Mr. J. Wood)	Hemp	8 11
013	MERRY HORN (Lord Henry Nevill)	J. Wood	7 11
110	FIBBER (Mr. Cribbin)	Whitaker	6 11
310	LOVELY BIRD (Mr. G. Knight)	Clancy	8 11
	ROYAL EDGAR (Mr. Hirst)	Killelea	7 11
100	LONE HAND (Mr. T. Clarke)	F. Hartigan	6 11
000	GREENHURST (Lord Westmoreland)	Clarke	6 11
		Westmoreland	8 11
102	SILKEN PRINCE (Mrs. Baker)	Martin	11
321	BROADWAY (Mr. R. Green)	Spittle	9 11
330	SNAE FELL (Mr. Wilmot)	Poole	10 13
243	WHAT LUCK (Mr. Hyman)	Hyman	10 13
000	WINKLE (Mr. Barnett)	Dale	10 12
040	VICTOR NOIR (Mrs. G. Morris)	Smith	7 10 12
330	DOWN SOUTH (Mr. Kenyon)	Davis	7 10 12
030	CRAGGIE ROCK (Mr. T. Hartigan)	C. Young	9 10 10
022	CARROLSTOWN (Miss W. Knight)	Bennett	8 10 9
30	GREEN LABEL (Mr. Bartholomew)	J. Kelly	7 10 3
001	HOLIDAY HALL (Major Lyons)	Hastings	5 10 0
003	HACKDAILE (Mrs. E. Stanley)	Hastings	5 10 0

3.30—AMATEURS' HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £150 (amateurs who have not ridden more than 20 winners under any rules). 2m.

111	MAXTOI (Mr. Platt)	F. Hartigan	6 12
302	PERSEVERANCE (Mr. Whitelaw)	Hammond	4 11
400	CONDOR (Capt. Stanyforth)	R. Payne	7 11
40	PETER GINK (Mr. Jayne)	C. Kelly	7 11
	QUICKFIRE (Mr. Wilson)	Private	4 11

(The above have arrived.)

101	MY RATH (10lb. ex.) (Mr. Collins)	Bennett	12 12
114	GEM (Mrs. Bennett)	Bennett	8 12
200	MASK MAN (Mr. Platt)	F. Hartigan	9 12
110	SOUTHERN GLEAM (Sir G. Aberconway)	F. Hartigan	8 12
102	SILKEN PRINCE (Mrs. Baker)	Martin	11 11
030	NAVANA (Mr. Kenyon)	Davis	11 10
303	PLUSHED (Lt.-Col. E. Phillips)	R. Payne	8 11
020	PRIDE OF MANISTER (Mrs. Stevens)	Stevens	11
000	CRYPTICAL (Mr. Bowcher)	Private	9 11
202	CROSS PADDY (Mr. T. Richards)	W. Nightingall	9 10
020	BILL MURPHY (Major Crossley)	Private	9 10
442	DARK DRAGON (Mr. Grover)	Bletsoe	9 10
240	ORMSKIRK (Mr. Frankland)	Private	8 10
000	RED STANDARD (Col. Croft)	Law	8 10

4.0—MIDDLESEX HURDLE of £250 2 m.

30	HIGHLANDER (Mrs. Brownlee)	Butchers	6 12
2	SQUARSON (Mr. G. Johnstone)	E. Pigott	5 11
0	BONNE RACE (Mrs. Russell)	F. Rees	5 11
203	BATTLE CRUISER (Mr. Reed)	Pope	4 10

(The above have arrived.)

030	VICTORY SPEECH (Mr. F. Benson)	Duller	7 12
	LAW COURT (Sir E. Edgar)	Whitaker	6 12
200	HONEYCOMB (Mr. Tait)	Duller	6 12
00	CODRENEY (Mr. ...)	P. Leader	5 11
	ISLE OF WIGHT (Mr. Barton)	W. Payne	5 11
00	KING THROSTLE (Miss W. Knight)	Bennett	5 11
4	GAVOTTE (Mr. Larkin)	S. J. Collins	5 11
464	FLEVUS (Mr. Rowson)

FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

DUBLIN.

FUNDS BETTER. BANK STOCK, GUINNESS, AND TOBACCOS EASIER. TEXTILES GOOD. RAILS SUPPORTED.

The trend of prices was again favourable on 'Change, with National and British Funds firm and Textiles a feature of marked strength, but actual business on the small side. National Loan Stocks were well supported, but dealings were limited. British Funds were also very quiet. Bank of Ireland Stock reacted somewhat after recent marked buoyancy. Guinness Ord. and Dunvilles were a shade lower. Home Rails met with steady attention, with Great Northern and Midland Great Western fairly strong. Dunlop Rubber Ord. were better, but Parent Tyre Shares did not quote. Textiles received substantial support, with Spinners, Coats, Cottons, Dyers, Courtaulds and Calicos all features of strength. Tobaccos were lower on profit-taking. Oils improved.

In Government Funds, National Loan, fully paid, was very firm, but nominal, at 97⅞ ⅞, while the £60 paid scrip rallied to ½ prem.

In British Funds, War Loan 5 p.c. opened ¼ higher at 99⅝, but closed steady at 99⅛ ⅜; Irish Land 2½ p.c. ½ to 56½, and War Loan 3½ p.c. ½ to 96; but Funding Loan fell ⅜ to 66¼.

Dublin Corporation Stock repeated 66½.

In Banks, Bank of Ireland Stock fell 1 to 270, and Provincials repeated 21½, while Nationals fell ¼ to 19½ xd.

Among Breweries, etc., Guinness Ord. eased ⅛ to 40¼ and Dunvilles ⅛ to 11. Dublin Distillers Ord. again closed nominal at 24s. 25s., and the Pref. repeated 85s.

City of Dublin Steam Pref. repeated 99.

As regards Home Rails, Great Northern rose a further ½ to 67½, but the Pref. fell ¼ to 61¾. Great Southern Ord. was steady at 48¾, the Pref. at 58¾, and the Guaranteed at 60½, while the Debs. rose ½ to 70½ and Midland Great Western Ord. ½ to 37½.

Dunlop Rubber Ord. rose 3d. to 8s. 4½d.

In Drapery Shares, Todd Burns Ord. repeated 16s.

Among Manufacturing Shares, British-American Tobacco fell 3d. to 98s. 3d. x.d. and Imperials 4½d. to 71s. 1½d. 71s. 3d. 71s. 2s. 5d. to 47s. 3d., Calicos 4½d. to 32s., Coats 7½d. to 50s. Calico Pref. repeated 17s. 3d. Bradford Dyers at the later market rose 10½d. to 59s. 6d.

In Trading, etc., *Irish Times* Pref. fell 6d. to 66s.

Other business done included Courtaulds at 61s. 10½d. 62s. 4½d., Radio Corporation Common at 21s. 6d., the Preferred at 19s. 19s. 1½d., Ord. at 58s. 9d.

BUSINESS DONE AT ALL SESSIONS.

Transactions for cash marked "c."

Nat. Loan...(97⅛) 97⅜ Do. Deb.....(70½) ⁴70½ M.G.W. Ord...(37) ⁴37½
Do. £60 paid (⅛ pm.) ¼ pm. Dub. Tram 5½% Deb.99
3½% War Loan..(95¼) 96 Todd Burns...(16½) 16½
6% War Ln.(99⅛) 99⅝ Brad. Dyers.(58⅞) 59/6
Funding Ln..(66¼) ⁴66¼ Calicos ...(31⅞) ⁴32½
2½% Land Act.(56) 56½ Do. Pref ....(17⅜) 17/3
Dublin Stock..66¼) 66¼ Coats...(60 10½) 61/6 /9
Bank Ireland.(271) 270c Cottons .....(49/44) 50/-
Provincial .....19¼ x.d. Courtaulds.(61/9) 61/10¼
Provincial .....(21⅛) 21⅛ Spinners .....(45/-) 47/3
Dublin Distillers (25/-) 24/5 25/-a B.A.T. .....(98/6) 98/3
Dunvilles .....(11⅛) 11 Imp. Tob...(71/6) 71/1¼
Guinness .....(40⅝) 40¼ 1/3 1/- /1¼
City Steam Pref.(99) 99 *Irish Times* 5½ ⅝ (66/6) 66/-
G.S. W. Ord.....(67) 67½ ⅛ Dunlops .....(6/1¼) 8/4½
Do. Pref.....(62) 62⅜ Nedeem Tea .....(5/6) 5/9
G.S.W. Ord.....(42) 42⅛ Radio Com...(21/6) 21/6
Do. Pref.....(58¼) 58½ Do. Pf..(18/9) 19/- /1¼
Do. Guar.....(60¼) 60¼ Shells .....(85/6) 86/-

*Odd lot; b bid, a asked.

(Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Discount ..... 5 p.c. 5th July, 1923.
Deposit ..... 2 p.c. 5th July, 1923.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Mining contango day ..... Feb. 5 | Feb. 18
General contango day ..... Feb. 5 | Feb. 19
Ticket day ..... Feb. 6 | Feb. 20
Account day ..... Feb. 7 | Feb. 21

BELFAST.

Exchange was fairly active yesterday, and prices were steady. War Loan opened at 99⅜, and closed 99⅛. Midland Bank, 8⅛; Westminster Bank, 16½; Belfast Corporation Five per Cent., 101; Great Northern Ord., 67½; Dunville, 11s; Robinson and Cleaver Five per Cent. Pref. repeated 15s.; Imperial Tobacco, 71s. 3d. Dunlop Rubber closed at 8s. 4½d.; Shell Transport, 86s.; Swedish Match, 83; United Tobacco, 63s.

LONDON STOCKS QUIET, BUT FIRM.

A GOOD CLOSE.

The Stock markets were inclined to be less active yesterday, profit-snatching setting in, but prices as a rule were not greatly affected, and towards the close quotations had a tendency to improve. The tone at the close was quite good. In the gilt-edged market British Funds were mostly unchanged, but Funding Loan rose ½ to 86¾. The Conversion Loan at 76 added ¼. Local loans at 64½ rose ¼. India Loans continued their advance. The 3½ p.c. at 56 and the 3½ p.c. at 64 both rose a point, while the 5½ p.c. at 100 gained ½.

In FOREIGN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES business was not very pronounced. German Threes, however, rose ¼ to 1¼. French Loans were lower. The 5 p.c. lost ½ at 22½, and the 4 p.c. ¼ at 17¼. Brazil Funding of 1914 fell 1 to 74.

HOME RAILS were quite animated, and prices rose generally. Great Western at 108½ rose ½. London, Midland and Scottish 4 p.c. Pref. at 81 and the Pref. of 1923 at 80 both rose a point. London North-Eastern issues were all better. The Pref. Ord. rose ½ to 84½; the Def. Ord. at 33 rose ¼; the 1st Pref. rose 1¼ to 80, and the 2nd Pref. 1 to 79. Southern Pref. Ord. at 85½, the Def. Ord. at 39, and the "A" Stock at 35 each gained ½; the 5 p.c. Pref. at 98½ gained a point. Metropolitan rose ½ to 75; the 5 p.c. Pref. at 97½ gained 2. Districts at 55 rose 1, and Underground Elec. Income Bonds at 102 also rose a point.

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILWAYS were steady, but there was little business passing. Bahia Blanca rose 1 to 76. Central Argentine at 70½ also rose 1. Central Uruguay rose ½ to 52, and United Havana ½ to 83¾.

OIL SHARES QUIETER.

ANGLO-PERSIAN RUMOURS.

Business in the Oil Share Market yesterday was not particularly active, transactions, in fact, being on a slightly smaller scale than on the preceding day. Evidence of increased public interest was afforded by the fact that more inquiries were received, but little actual business resulted. Reports became current in the early hours of the possibility of a fresh public capital issue by the Anglo-Persian Company. This we are able to deny. The market, however, is still extremely sensitive to reports of this character, so that not only did Anglo-Persian shares give way sharply, but other leading issues suffered a sympathetic decline. A partial rally occurred in the later dealings, and while shrinkages were still general at the close the tone at the end was not at all bad, and the market appeared to have suffered no real harm from the set-back. Burmahs naturally gave way in sympathy with Anglo-Persians. Shells maintained a fairly steady tone throughout the day, but they left off in the street showing a decline, while Royal Dutch also weakened in the late dealings. Mexican Eagles failed to hold the advance of the preceding day. Closing prices:—

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5/-	Agwi Petroleum	⅝	¾
3½	Anglo-American	3⅜	3½
1½	Anglo-French	1⅜	1⅝
1⅜	Anglo-Egyptian "A"	1⅜	1⅜ – ⅛
12/6	Anglo-Persian 8 p.c.	22½	22⅞ – 0/4½
22/6	Do. 5 p.c. 2nd Pref.	22½	22⅞ – 0/4½
2½	Do. Ord., issued 5s. pd.	2⅛	2⅜ – ¼
8⅝	Do. 5 p.c. Deb.	8⅝	9
2/9	Apex Trinidad	⅞	2/9
3/-	Borneo Pet. (10/-)	⅞	⅞
8/9	British Controlled (£5)	7/9	8/3
5/15½	British Controlled	5/6	5/9
6/3	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	6/7½	6/10½
4/-	Burmah Corp.	4⅛	4⅜ – ⅛
23/9	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	23½	23/9 – ⅛
1/7½	Caitex	1/7½	1/10½
12/9	Dacia Romano	⅞	¾
4/8	Eagle Transport	4/8	4/12xd
100	Do. 7 p.c. Notes	99½	100½xd
101	Do. Bearer	100¼	101½xd
4/3	General Pet. Trinidad A.	4/3	4/3 +0/3
—	Indo Burmah	0/3	0/9
16/3	Kern River (10/-)	17/3	17/9 – 0/6
15/6	Mexican Eagle	16	6/6xd + ⅜
16/-	Do. Pref.	16⅜	16/7½ – ⅜
11/10½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	10/7	11/-
10/9	North Caucasian (10/-)	12/1½	12/7½ – 0/3
—	Oilfields Empire	1/9	1/6
2/6	Peru Syndicate	2/6	3/0
18/6	Phœnix	18/4½	18/10½ – 0/3
1/1½	Premier Oil	1/6	1/9
—	Rumanian Consolidated	11/0	12/3
—	Royal Dutch	37¾	38¾ – ⅝
4/3	Scottish American	0/9	1/0
4/3	Shell Transport	4⅝	4⅝ – ⅛
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10)	9½	9⅝
23/3½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	23/4½	23/10½ – 0/3
3/3	Spies (10/-)	3/3	3/6 – 0/1½
7/10½	Stenua Romana	7/0	3/6 – 0/1½
8/0	Tankers Pref.	8/0	8/0 – 0/3
—	Trinidad Central	5/6	6/0 +0/4½
12/-	Trinidad Lease	—	—
4/6	United Brit Trinidad	1¾	1¾
17/9	Ural Caspian	7/6	7/9
4/0	Ural Oil	—	—
4/0	V.O.C. Holdings	4/0	4/6 – 0/3
1½	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	1½	1¾ – ⅛

BUSINESS DONE.

Agwi Corp. "A"—12/-, 18/1¼. **44d. Anglo-Ecuadorian New**—22/4½, 104d., 9d. **Anglo-Egyptian 8 p.c.**—23/9, 23/9½, 3/6. **Anglo-Persian Ord.**—47/9, 3/4, 9/8½, 50/7½, 48/9, 7/6, 50/-, 3/9. **Do. 5 p.c. Pref.**—22/9, 6d. **British Controlled Common**—5/6, 5/9, 74d., 44d., 9d. **Do. Pref.**—6/9½, 6/10d., 74d., 10½d. **Burmah**—18/-, 17/6, 4½d., 10½d., 18/-. **Lobitos** (x.d.)—6s. 7½, 6 61-64s. 3d., 3/-, 59-64s. **Mexican Eagle Ord.**—17/1½, 16/10½, 6d.—17/3. **Do. 7 p.c. 1st Pref.**—12/7½, 6d., 3d., 44d., 6d. **Phœnix Oil**—19/-, 7¼d., 6d., 3d., 14d., 18/6½, 9d., 5½d., 44d., 19/-. **Royal Dutch**—38¼, 38⅜, *£38 3/4, 38⅛, ⅜, ⅝. **Shell**—86⅛, 5/10½, 86/-, 5/-, 3d., 4/8½, 44d. *5/9, 6/3, 5/1½. **Trinidad Leaseholds**—28/7½, 9d., 3d. **Uroz**—4/6, 44d., 7¼d., 9d., 3d. **V.O.C. Holdings**—33/4½, 2/9½, 2½d., 4/0¾, 2/6, 3/1½. (*Exceptional bargain at special price.)

RUBBER SHARES QUIET.

The Rubber Share Market continued inactive, and changes of importance were few Selsbia rose 2s. 3d. to 21s. Sapumalkande at 20s. 4½d. lost 1s. 6d. Seremban fell 1s. 10½d. to 10s. 2½d. The price of rubber rose to 14d. per lb. Closing prices:

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5/6	Anglo-Dutch	35/9	
2/4½	Anglo-Java	2/4½	
1½	Anglo-Malay	1⅝	
4/9	Beriam Cons.	20/3	+0/3
2/10½	Bukit Mertajam	4/2	
1/7½	Bukit Sembawang	2/10½	
1/7	Damansara	1/7	
13/9	Grand Central	13/9	
10/3	Highlands	10/10½	+0/1½
32/-	Kamuning	32/0	
2/6½	Kepong	2/6½	
3/-	Kuala Lumpur	3/0	
27/-	Labu	27/0	
31/6	London-Asiatic	31/6	
1½	Malacca	1½	
24 4½	Malaya	24 4½	
28/3½	Malaysian	28/3½	+0/3
27/6	Merlimau	27/6	
2/-	Mooply Valley	2/0	
2/1½	Port Dickson	2/1½	
24/6	Rubber Trust	25/4½	–0/1½
14/0	Sasfield	13/9½	
1/-	Senadyan	1/0½	
2/-	Sialang	2/-	
30/-	Straits Rubber	30/0	
18/1½	Tall Ayer	18/1½	–0/1½
2/-	Tandjong	2/-	
2/4	Un. Serdang	2/4	
55/-	United Sua Betong	55/0	
5/6	Vallambrosa	5/6	

13/0	N. Hummock	13/0	
9/6	P.K.K.(Cr'n)	10/0	
16/3	Patalima	16/3	
18/7½	Pilmoor	18/7½	
2/-	Rim Malacca	2/-	
20/3	Rub.E.Johore	20/3	
2/6	Sapong	2/6	
20 4½	Sapumalk'de.	20 4½	–1/6
2/-	Selangor	2/-	
1/-	SerdangCn'l	2/0	
1¾	Soember Ajoe.	1/4½	
2/-	Sumatra Con.	19/4½	
2/-	Sungei Buaya	2/3	
1/-	Sungei Choh	1/6	
2/-	Sungei Kapar	2/5½	
1/-	Sungei Kr. Pl.	2/0	
1/-	Taiping	1/-	
27/6	Tebrau	27/6	
2/-	Telogordjo	2/0	
1/-	Tempah	0/9	
2/-	Un. Temiang	2/7½	
1/10	Yam Seng	1/10	

*Ex Div. † Ex Rights. ‡ Cum div.

INSURANCE SHARES.

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON:—Alliance, 12¾; do. New, £13 6/3, 13⅜; Atlas, 15½; Commercial Union, £18 16/6, 18⅝, ⅝, ¾; Eagle Star, 13½; Employers' Liability, 84/-, 6d.; General Accident, 64; Guardian Assurance, £6 17/-; Guardian Fire, 6/9; London and Liverpool, 83½; London and Lancashire, 15¼, ⅜, ½; London Assurance, 9, ⅞, 8½; Motor Union, 84; North British, 15⅞, 16, £15 16/6, 16, ⅛, £15 16/-, £16 17/9; Northern, 14⅛, ¼; Phœnix, 10¾, £10 19/3; Royal, 23½, ⅞, ¾; Scottish Union, 9¾, ⅛, ¼.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL:—Alliance, 225/9; New shares, 13½; Commercial Union, 18¾, 19/9, 19; Eagle, 15½; Employers' Liability, 84/9; Guardian, 6½; London and Lancashire, 15¼; North British, 15⅞, ⅛, 16, 16¼; Royal, 23¼, ⅜.

TRAFFICS.

Buenos Ayres Lacrose Tramways—Week to January 20—dec. £130; Buenos Ayres Central Railways—Week to January 20—inc. £799. Paraguay Central Railway—Week to January 19—inc. £460. South Indian—Week to December 29, Rs.910,343; decrease Rs.51,250. Buenos Ayres Tramways—November net revenue, £543. Havana Central Railroad—Week to January 19, £14,816; increase £987. Chatham and District Light Railways—Week to January 27, £1,330; decrease £65.

CLOSING PRICES.

The quotations in the following tables were made up at an earlier hour than, and may, therefore, vary to some extent from, those given in our comments:—

CONSOLS, ETC.

Consols..... 55 56
War Ln.3½% ... 96 96⅛
do. 4½% 99 99⅜
do. 5% 99½ 100
Co. 4% (Tax free) ⁹ 101½-102⅛
Fund'g Ln.... 65-67 + ⅜
Victory Bds. 99⅛-99⅜

5% Conv.Ln. 75¾-76⅛ + ⅜
Irish Land 2½ ... 56 56
India 3% ..... 55-57 + 1
do. 3½ ..... 63-65 + 1
do. 5½ ... 99½-100⅛ + ⅜
do. 4% 111-113
Local Loans ... 56-58 + ⅜
Sudan 5½ p.c. 107-109

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Alberta 4½ 1940... 92-94
Aust.Com.5½ %... 99-101
do. 6% 104-106
Brit.Col 4½ 1941... 91 94 + 1
Canada 4% 87 89
do. 4½ 1920-5 ... 100-101
Cape 3½ Cons..... 77-79
Ceylon 6% 108-110
Natal 3½ '34 80-82
N.S.W. 4½ 1922-7 ... 98-99
do. 5½ 1927-7 ... 99-101
do. 6½ ? 1927-47 ... 99-101
do. 6½ % 1930-40 101-103
N.Zeal'd 4 '29..... 94-95

Nigeria 6% 110-112
Q'sland 4 1940-50 76-79
do. 4½ 1930-5 ... 85-87
do. 6½ 1930-40 ... 99-101
S. Africa 4% Cons 85-87
do. 6% 103-105
S.A'stn'l'nd.'40-60 87 89
do. 5½ 100-102
do. 6½ % 104-106
Victoria 4 1916-40 82-84
do. 6½ ? 1923-5 ... 100-2
W.Austr'l'a 4 41-61 81-83
do. 5½ % 1930-40 102-104

AMERICAN RAILS.

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—	Atchison	114	117⅜
—	Baltimore	70	70⅜
—	Chesapeake	86	89
—	Chicago, Milwaukee	18	20
30	Erie	30	31
—	Do. 1st Pref.	38	40
—	New York, Ontario	21	23
80	Southern Common	49	51
—	Do. Pref.	81	83
—	Southern Pacific	103	105
—	Union Pacific	183	185

BRITISH RAILS.

106	Great Western	108	109 + ⅜
101¾	Ldn., Mid. & Scot. Ord....	102⅜	104½
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	80	82 +1
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Red. Pref.	86	90
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref.	98	101
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref., 1923.	79	81 +1
83½	Ldn. North-East. 5 p.c. Pref.	84	85 + ½
—	Do. Def. Ord.	32¾	33¾ + ½
—	Do. 4 p.c 1st Pref....	79	81 +1½
—	Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref....	78	80
71	Metropolitan	74¾	75½ + ¼
83½	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	96	98 +2
23½	Do District	24⅝	25⅜
37½	Southern Pref. Ord.	85	84 + ½
35½	Do. Def. Ord.	38½	39¼ + ½
34½	Do. "A"	34½	35⅜ + ½
10¾	Do. "B"	10	11
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	96	97
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pf.1924	97	100
100⅛	Do. Income Bonds.	102	104 +1
101	Do. 5 p.c. Debs.	102	104

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

83½	Antofagasta	83	88
—	Argentine G.W. Ord.	69½	71½
—	Bahia Blanca	75	77 +1
82	Brazil Railway Common.	—	¾ 1¼
82	Buenos Ayres Gt. S.	83	84
73	Buenos Ayres and Pacific	73	73
71	Buenos Ayres and W.	71	72
174½	Canadian Pacific	174	176
68¾	Central Argentine	69½	71½ +1
81	Central Uruguay	81	83 + ½
—	Entre Rios	15½	17¾
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	66	68
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Guar.	80	82
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Deb.	44	46
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb.	30	32
23½	Leopoldina	23	24
8½	Mexican Rails	8	9
26	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	25	27
18	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	15	17
2	Mexican Nat. 2nd Pref.	1½	2
—	Mexican Nat. 3rd Pref.	—	¾
145	San Paulo Ord.	144	149
81¾	United Havana	82½	84½ + ¾

FOREIGN BONDS.

100	Argentine. 1886	99	101
71	Do. 4 p.c. Reccessions.	70	72
96	Do. 5 p.c., 1909	96	99
43	Brazil 4 p.c. Funding, 1889	42	44
84	Do. Funding, 1908	83	84
74	Do. 5 p.c. 1914	73	75 –1
74	Chinese 5 p.c. 1896	72	74
68	Do. 5 p.c. 1898	68	71
78	Do. 5 p.c., 1911	77	80
72¾	Czecho-Slovakia Bonds	72	73
22¾	Egyptian Unified	22	23
22¾	French Loan, 1899	22	23
17½	Do. 4 p.c.	17	18
16	German 3 p.c.	15	16
20	Italian Rentes	19½	21¼ + ¼
114¾	Japanese 4½ p.c. 1st	111	113
85	Do. 4 p.c. 1905	83	85
85	Do. 4 p.c. New 5 p.c., 1907.	83	85
64	Mexican 6 p.c. 1903	63	65
23	Do. 6 p.c. 10-Y. Treas..	23	24
—	Peruvian Corporation ..	3¾	3¾
—	Do. Pref.	—	26
—	Do. Deb.	—	27
31¾	Portuguese 3 p.c.	31	33
84½	San Paulo 8 p.c.	104	106*
72	Spanish 4 p.c.	63	66
67½	Uruguay 3½ p.c.	57	59

BANKS.

—	Agricultural of Egypt ..	7	7½
—	Anglo-South American ..	6¾	7¼
—	Australasia	12¾	13
—	Bank New South Wales.	32	33
—	Bank of New Zealand...	23	25
—	Barclays .. A	73¾	74¾
—	British of Foreign Trade	7½	7¾
—	British Overseas	4	4½
—	Canadian of Commerce..	47	48
—	Chartered of India	1/0	19½
—	Hong Kong	127	128
—	Lloyds	87/3	88/3
—	Midland	77	78
—	National Discount "B"..	8¾	8¾
—	National Prov. (£4 p.)	10¾	10⅞
—	Royal Bank of Canada ..	47¼	49½
—	Standard South Africa ..	40/-	40/6
—	Union of Australia	14	14½
—	Westminster Bank	16¼	16⅝ + ⅛

TELEGRAPHS.

23½	Anglo-American Def....	22¾	22⅞*
1⅜	Marconi Wireless Ord. ..	1⅜	1⅜
—	Do. Pref	1⅜	1⅝
—	Do. Debs.	—	104
1⅜	Do. Marconi	1⅜	1⅜
—	Do. Canada	—	3/-
3/8	Oriental Telephone	3/8	3/6 –0/1½
19/6	Radio Corporation	20/3	21/3 –0/3
18/6	Do. Pref.	18/9	19/3

MISCELLANEOUS.

25/6	Aboukir Land	1½	1⅝
23/6	African and Bread	1⅛	1⅜
23½	African and Bask. Trade.	23/0	25/0
20/6	Alianza	20/9	21/-
—	Bapp & Eisler Shares	2½	3
6⅞	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	6	6⅜
8/7½	Amalgamated Cotton	8/0	8/6 + 0/6
2⅛	Anglo-Argentine 1st Pref.	2⅛	2⅜
2⅛	Anglo-Chilian Nitrate ..	2⅛	2⅜
6/6	Argentine Southern Land	6/6	6/9
22 0	Do. Southern Land	21	22
16/0	Armstrong (W. G.)	17½	17⅝ + ⅛
17/9	Associated Cement	17/9	18/-
16/0	Do. Pref. (cum. div.) ..	15/0	16/6
5	Assd. Newspapers Def..	4¾	5⅛
—	Bartholomay Pref.	4½	5½*
—	Do. Def. & p.c. Pref.	5	6
15/0	Do. Ord.	51	54
1⅝	Bleachers	1⅝	1⅞
24/3	Borax Con. Def.	23¾	24¼ + ⅛
27/6	Bovril Ltd.	27/6	28/-
51½	Brazilian Traction	51	51⅜ + ⅛
7/-	British Portland Cement	6/7½	7/-
11/0	B.S.A.	11/0	12/0 + 1/0
5/9	British Cellulose Ord. ..	6/7½	7/1½ + 0/9
10/3	British Oil and Cake	10/3	10/6
—	B.N.S. Land	1¾	1¾ + ¼
1/-	Brit. Col. Electric Rail..	1/-	1/-
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Debs.....	80	84 +1
18/9	Brunner Mond	18/9	19/-
45/0	Bryant and May	37/0	40/0
15/0	Burmah Oil	14/9	15/-
98/3	Brit.-Amer Tobacco	2/8	3
30/6	British Glass	30/0	30/6
2/6	Calico Printers	1/6	1/6 –0/1½
14/0	Canada Land	13½	14½
13/0	Cargo Fleet	13/9	14/9
60/3	Coats	14/9	15/9
50/0	Courtaulds	58	61 + ⅜
—	Cunard Steam Ship Pref.	27½	28½
3/0	Crosse and Blackwell	27/3	28/3
—	Cunard Ord.	2/8	3/6
—	Do. £5 Rue Deb.	3	3½
8/3	Dunlop Rubber	31	32
—	Do. Deb.	7/9	8/9
105	Do. Amer. Tire Deb.	103	107 +2½
14/0	Dorman Long	68½	69½
—	Elder Dempster 6 p.c. Pf.	18/6	19/6
18/9	English Electric	18/3	18/9
49/6	English Sewing Cotton...	17/9	18/-
2/6	Do Shirtings	2/6	2/9
20/3	Forestal Land	2/6	3¼ + ⅛
13¾	Furness Withy	13¾	14¼
19/0	General Electric Ord. ..	18/6	19/-
—	Do. Debs.	19/6	20/0
403	Guinness	403	415
—	Do. Pref.	105	105
83/9	Harrods	83/9	85/-
—	Hoyle Deb.	103	105
6⅝	Hudson's Bay Ord.	6⅝	6¾
19/-	Imperial Tobacco Ord....	70/0	72/0 –0/6
—	Do. (15/- paid)	16/3	17/6
11/3	Lautaro Nitrate	11/3	12/6
7	Lever 7 p.c. Pref.	7	7½
20/3	Lever 7 p.c. Debs.	20/3	21/3
104	Lever 5 p.c. Debs.	104	106
93	Do.	93	95
17/-	Lipton	17/-	17/6
4½	Lagunas Nitrate	4½	4¾
27/0	Linen Thread Ord.	27/0	29/0 –0/6
18/8	Lister Ord.	18/8	19/- + ⅛
68¾	Liverpool Nitrate	68½	69½
65/0	London Nitrate	65/0	66/3 + 1/3½
23½	Mackintosh (J.) Pref.	23½	24½
28/6	Maypole Def.	28/6	29/6
82	Mond Nickel Pref.	82	84
82	Mexican Trams	82	84 –1
75	Do. Bonds	75	77
—	Do. 1st & 2nd Bonds...	60	62 +1
2	Niger Pref.	2	2½
21/0	Nobel Ord.	14/6	15/6
27/0	Do. Pref.	27/0	27/9 +0/3
19/0	Do. Def.	19/0	20/0
1½	Parent Tyre Def.	1½	2
15/6	Do. Ord.	7/3	8/3
24/6	Pease and Partners	24/6	25/6
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	19/0	20/0
2/0	Pekin Syndicate	2/0	2/3
—	Peter Walker Ord.	16/0	18/0
32/6	Pinchin Johnson	32/6	33/6 + 0/6
85	Royal Mail Ord.	85	90 +2
13/6	Rio Negro Lands	13/6	14 + ⅛
24/3	Rolls Royce	24/3	25/-
31/6	Rosario Nitrate	31/0	33/0
22/0	Salt Union	22/0	23/0
55/3	South Durham Steel.....	55/3	57/6
9/-	San Paulo Tram Deb.	9/-	9/-
22/0	South African Breweries.	21/6	22/6
25½	Shawinigan Water Debs.	25½	26½
2½	Santa Rita Nitrate	2½	2⅝
1⅝	Santiago Nitrate	1⅝	2
2/-	Sidor Del Carmen	2/-	2/6
3/6	Selfridge 6 p.c. Pref. ..	3/6	3/9
15/6	Siemens	15/6	16/6
60/3	Smithfield Arg. Meat	60/3	62/6
18¾	Spanish Patent	18¾	19¾
—	Tilling Ord.	5/6	6/6
—	Do. 5½ p.c. Cum. Pref.	4¾	4¾
13/3	Tarapaca Nitrate	13/0	13/6
—	Union Cold Storage Pref.	10/0	10/3
—	United Alkali	11½	11¾
—	United Steel	84	85
13/9	Vickers Ord.	13/0	14/0 + 0/3
14¾	Van Den Berghs	14¾	15
—	Do. Pref.	4½	4¾
—	Walker (John) Pref.	19/3	20/3
14/9	Wallpaper Def.	—	1¼
—	Woodhle Iron C.F.O.....	1¼	1½*

*Ex div. † Ex bonus ‡ Ex rights.

LONDON MINING MARKET CHEERFUL.

FRESH BUSINESS STILL SMALL.

Despite the unsettled political situation, the continuance of the strike, and the dismal weather conditions, the Stock Exchange refused to be depressed, and a cheerful tone prevailed in most departments. There was still not a great deal of fresh business passing in Mines, apart from a few specialties, but Kaffirs held their ground remarkably well. This was largely due to the fact that Johannesburg advices were of a satisfactory character, that centre giving support to Crown Mines, "A," T.C.L.," and some of its other favourites. The price of Brakpan there was called as 66s. 9d., and adding the 4s. 6d. dividend, which has been deducted on the other side, and allowing for the exchange, this brings the quotation up to nearly 3¾, as against 3½ ruling here. Modder East were again bought from the Cape, and several of the other low-priced descriptions were harder. The terms of the Robinson Deep proposed new issue of "B" Shares came in for a good deal of discussion, and some selling was indulged in. The Simmer and Jack proposals were also the subject of considerable comment. Among the leaders, Randfontein were prominent, and Union Corporation were helped by the sharp rise in San Francisco. "Johnnies" were wanted, and Nourse Mines moved up, while inquiries from Sifaki lifted the price sharply. Cam and Motor were unaltered, but Selukwe weakened. Thanks to cheerful advices from Paris the De Beers iss

AUCTION TO-DAY AT 29 BACHELOR'S WALK, COX'S AUCTION ROOMS.

ANTIQUE & MODERN FURNITURE, PIANOS.

TURKEY & AXMINSTER CARPETS, PAINTINGS, CHINA, &c., Removed from Derrintovey, Carrickmines, the Residence of Mr. Harry Warren, and from several other Private Residences, for convenience of Sale. COMPRISING PRINCIPALLY:—ANTIQUE SHERATON SIDEBOARD, WITH TAPER LEGS AND CUPBOARDS; OLD DUTCH INLAID BUREAU CHEST, TWO 3ft. 6in. SHERATON BOOKCASES, INLAID MUSIC AND HALF-CIRCULAR CORNER CABINETS, SHERATON-CASED GRANDFATHER'S CLOCK, WITH BRASS DIAL; HAIR-STUFFED CHESTERFIELD, SOFT SPRUNG ALL OVER; CHIPPENDALE BOOKCASE, 4 CHIPPENDALE AND OTHER LOUNGE ARM CHAIRS, OLD SHEFFIELD TEA URN, WITH SOLID SILVER MOUNTS; LOFTY EBONISED MAHOGANY CHIPPENDALE CHINA DISPLAY CABINETS; 3-PIECE HAIR-STUFFED CHESTERFIELD SET, COVERED IN SILK; 3 DRAWINGROOM SUITES, INLAID ROSEWOOD, MAHOGANY, AND CHIPPENDALE FRAMES, ALL HAIR-UPHOLSTERED; INLAID TEA STORE, GILT-FRAMED OVERMANTEL GLASSES, 6ft. CHIPPENDALE SIDEBOARD, SET OF 8 ADAM DINING CHAIRS (6 and 2 CARVERS), TWO MAHOGANY SCREW DINING TABLES, 5ft. INLAID CUPBOARD SIDEBOARD, 8 INLAID MAHOGANY-FRAMED DINING CHAIRS (6 and 2 CARVERS), COVERED IN GREEN MOROCCO; LOFTY GLASS-BACK MAHOGANY AND WALNUT SIDEBOARDS, YACHT TABLES, CARD TABLES, LADIES' WRITING TABLES, AND OCCASIONAL DRAWINGROOM TABLES AND CHAIRS; 3ft. and 4ft. MAHOGANY BUREAU BOOKCASES, COAL CABINETS AND COAL BOXES, HAND-PIERCED BRASS FENDERS AND FIRE BRASSES; PORTRAIT PAINTINGS, COLOURED PRINTS AND ENGRAVINGS; HAND-PAINTED DESSERT SERVICE, OLD LUSTRE JUGS, DECORATIVE AND OTHER CHINA; BEDROOM FURNISHING IN VARIETY, INCLUDING GENT.'S MAHOGANY WARDROBE, TWO 7ft. WALNUT BEDROOM SUITES, 8 PIECES EACH, BOTH RICHLY CARVED AND LINED WITH MAHOGANY THROUGHOUT; 6ft. MAHOGANY DUBLIN-MADE SUITE—I.E., GLASS-DOOR BREAKFRONT WARDROBE AND DUCHESSE PAIR; ASH AND PINE SUITES, 5 PIECES EACH; TEN OTHER BEDROOM SUITES, IN SIZES FROM 3ft. to 5ft., IN DARK WALNUT, INLAID MAHOGANY, AND SATIN WALNUT; 3 SPLENDID MAHOGANY CHESTS OF DRAWERS, LADY'S TRAVELLING DRESSING CHEST, FULLY FITTED; WARDROBES, PRESSES, DRESSING TABLES, WASHSTANDS, SHERATON CHEVAL DRESSING GLASS; ALL-BRASS AND BLACK AND BRASS, OAK, AND WALNUT BEDS, WITH BEST WIRES AND PURE CURLED HAIR AND BOX SPRING MATTRESSES; KITCHEN AND DEAL FURNITURE, DRESSERS, TABLES, AND CHAIRS; POTS, PANS, AND SAUCEPANS; TURKEY CARPET, 21 X 14; ROYAL AXMINSTER CARPET, 14½ X 14; ABOUT 20 YARDS ROYAL AXMINSTER STAIR CARPET AND OTHER SMALL CARPETS; ALSO UPRIGHT GRAND OVERSTRUNG GERMAN PIANO, BY STEINHOFF, BERLIN. GOODS ON VIEW. AUCTION COMMENCES AT 12.30 O'CLOCK. PIANOS SOLD AT 3.

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Embracing Cottage Piano (Challenger), 2 Satin Walnut Bedroom Suites, 1 F.O. do., large Mahogany Sideboard, Small do., with mirrored back, Chesterfield and 2 Easy Chairs, China Cabinet (Louis style), small Oak Bureau, Walnut Dressing Table and Washstand, Walnut, Gilt, Ebonised and other Overmantels, large Chest of Drawers, several Double and Single Beds, Hair and other Mattresses, 2-9 Piece Inlaid Suites, small Mahogany Cabinets, Grandfather Clocks, Dining Table (2 L.L.), several Round, Oval, and other Tables in Mahogany and Walnut, Antique Mahogany Bureau, Mahogany and other Wardrobes, small Mangle, Lino., Blankets, China, Pictures, Ornaments and large Collection of Household Articles and Effects.

ON VIEW TO-DAY (Friday), 25th January, 1924, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Purchasers pay 5 per Cent. Auction Fees.

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FURNITURE AUCTIONS CONDUCTED BY JAMES H. NORTH & CO., AUCTIONEERS, 110 GRAFTON STREET.

ESTABLISHED 90 YEARS. TELEPHONE No. 63.

SALE THIS DAY at 12 o'clock.
3 AVOCA TERRACE, BLACKROCK.

MESSRS. HAZLEY and CO. will SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on the Premises, as above, the handsome Residue of Antique and Modern Furniture and Effects. Mahogany Economy Dining Tables, ditto Chairs, Mahog. Dumb Waiter, ditto Overmantel, large Gilt-edge Glass, Couches in Tapestry, Easy and Occasional Chairs, Grandfather Clock, Carved Oak Bookcases, Dolphin Tables, Hall Bench, Brass Bedsteads, quantity of Books, Household Linen, Blankets, Ornamental and other China, Carpets, Pictures, Chairs, Tables, etc., and Miscellaneous Effects; also a Doctor's Brougham.

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WE are instructed by the Owner, who is going abroad, to SELL this desirable Detached Residence, with possession 1st March. The House is pleasantly situated in an open situation, with fields in front and rear; two-storeyed, non-basement, and easily run. The House contains:—Entrance porch and hall, with cloak room and hand basin; dining-room, opening into conservatory; drawing-room, pantry, china closet, etc., on the first floor. Upstairs—5 bedrooms, maid's room, and attic bedroom, bed. bath, linen press, 2 w.c.'s. Yard, with fruit garden, lawns, vegetable garden, and in front well-kept grass plot. The House is held for 400 years, subject to £8 per annum. Fine Valuation, £55. Only 5 minutes' walk from Tram and Blackrock trains. And Horse Show Grounds.

Conditions of Sale from Messrs. COLLIS and WARD, Solicitors, 15 Clare street, or, with Orders to View, from THE AUCTIONEERS.

RAGLAN HOUSE, BRIGHTON AVENUE, RATHGAR, WITH POSSESSION.

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Embracing Cottage Piano (Challenger), 2 Satin Walnut Bedroom Suites, 1 F.O. do., large Mahogany Sideboard, Small do., with mirrored back, Chesterfield and 2 Easy Chairs, China Cabinet (Louis style), small Oak Bureau, Walnut Dressing Table and Washstand, Walnut, Gilt, Ebonised and other Overmantels, large Chest of Drawers, several Double and Single Beds, Hair and other Mattresses, 2-9 Piece Inlaid Suites, small Mahogany Cabinets, Grandfather Clocks, Dining Table (2 L.L.), several Round, Oval, and other Tables in Mahogany and Walnut, Antique Mahogany Bureau, Mahogany and other Wardrobes, small Mangle, Lino., Blankets, China, Pictures, Ornaments and large Collection of Household Articles and Effects.

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